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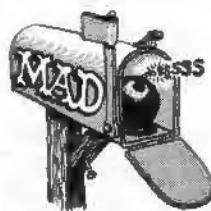
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Your magazine is definitely the preferred reading material as my piano students wait until it's their turn for a lesson. More than one returns to the couch after the lesson, to finish reading it before calling their Moms to come pick them up. I feel good about having it there for them to read. It's probably the most thought-provoking and truly intelligent reading material that most of them get to see all month.

Mary Ann Stewart  
Anchorage, Alaska

### MAD OVERRATED-UNDERRATED BOOK

I thought "The MAD Overrated-Underrated Book" was underrated because it only went two pages! Kathy Sherman  
Mason, Ohio

Fay Wray is overrated, Jessica Lange is underrated. Steve Martin is overrated, Rodney Dangerfield is underrated. Margot Kidder is overrated, Michelle J. Caprara is underrated! Michelle J. Caprara  
Detroit, Michigan

On reporting National and International problems and commenting on them, *Time Magazine* is overrated, *MAD Magazine* is underrated.

Casey Hermanson  
Rapid City, S.D.

MAD is overrated, its readers are underrated!

David O'Brien  
Oakland, N.J.

### A MAD LOOK AT DOORS

"A MAD Look At Doors" was just "door-ling!" Jill Kramer  
Woodstock, N.Y.

"A MAD Look At Doors" was an open and shut case. Brian Smith  
Carney's Point, N.J.

### THE MAD AD-MAN'S SAMPLER

Henry Clark's "The MAD Ad-Man's Sampler" is a letter-perfect article!

Chris Eglinski  
Avon Lake, Ohio

### YELLOW PAGES THROUGH HISTORY

Greatly ENjoyed TOM KOch's "The Paleolithic TELEphone Company's YELLOW PAGES." HE IS TO BE COMMENDED FOR HIS USE OF EXchange NAMES. OUR TELEphone SERVICE HAS BEEN VERY DULL SINCE THE DISappearance OF SUCH GREats AS: PLaza, MUrray Hill, LOCust, Fillmore, MUtual, Pilgrim, TRinity, AND OF COURSE THAT ALL TIME CLASSIC FROM PHILadelphia: PENNypacker! Looking Forward TO MORE YELLOW PAGES THrough HIStory ARTicles.

Angus McIntyre  
Vancouver, B.C.

## WHEN WOMEN TAKE OVER MOVIES

I enjoyed "When Women Take Over Movies Completely." It's about time someone realized that we're tired of seeing films like *Annie Hall*, *Coming Home*, *Turning Point*, and shows like *Angie*, *One Day At A Time*, and *Laverne & Shirley*. But I really get sick when they make Miss Piggy a star for simply being a female chauvinist pig!

Jim Miller  
Sarnia, Ont.  
Canada

### MAD'S INGENIOUS PLAN FOR A MORE EFFICIENT GOVERNMENT

"MAD's Ingenious Plan For A More Efficient Government," along with dozens of related articles from past issues, proves that you guys are more qualified to run for public office than the clowns who are already there. Hint, hint.

Paul Absi  
Fitchburg, Mass.

### SIBLING MISERY IS...

I just finished reading "Sibling Misery Is..." and I'd like to add an instance. How about when you try out for the Little League team and your little brother makes it instead?!

Scott Chankin  
Cherry Hill, N.J.

### CHIMPS

Lou Silverstone seems to be the only MAD writer who actually watches the TV shows he satirizes. In his funny "CHiMPs" he really captures the flavor and the dialogue of the characters. Mort Drucker does the same with his characters, so how come you clods never team the two of them up?

John Rasch  
Pittsfield, Mass.

I went "ape" over Torres's and Silverstone's "CHiMPs". MAD is what makes the world go 'round!

Vern Panei  
Butler, Pa.

### MARGINAL DOUBLE-VISION

Hey, what happened, guys? You repeated four "Marginals" in your December issue. I wouldn't mind, but Sergio Aragones's "Marginals" are the first things I look for every time. Don't don't make make any any silly silly mistakes mistakes like like that that again again!

Craig Shelley  
Reseda, Calif.

Sometimes I read MAD instead of watching TV. But today I got 4 re-runs in one issue! Please check out your "Drawn-Out Dramas" on Pages 6 & 18, 7 & 19, 12 & 33, 10 & 22. And I thought that reading was an alternative to TV!

Charles Field  
Plantation, Fla.

You're disappointed?! Imagine how "MAD" Sergio Aragones is about the goof! We're making it up in this issue, however, with four additional marginals.—Ed.

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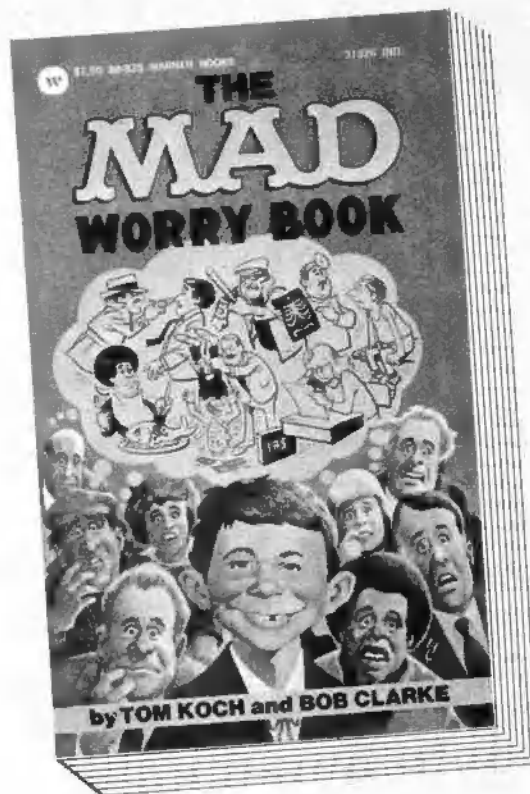


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When Ian Fleming created his "James Bond" character, he gave "007" a license to kill. And when Mr. Fleming signed the rights to his character over to the Producers of what would become a rash of "James Bond" movies, he also gave them a license to kill, mainly his character! Because any resemblance to the movies made using their titles is purely coincidental (and nauseating)! However, you cannot argue with success. Everyone of them including this latest "007" epic is a

# 007

Why does James Bomb **MAKE LOVE** all the time?

It's because of his mission to find the **PERFECT WOMAN!**

And what's **HIS** idea of the **PERFECT WOMAN?**

One who's **PRETTIER** than he is!

My God! Look at those **choppers!**

I understand he takes very good care of those terrible-looking teeth!

Really? How?

He brushes after every meal with **Brillo Pads!**

There's no one who can defeat James Bomb!

Not so! There **IS** someone Bomb can't defend himself against!

Oh...? Who's that?

Father Time!

Hi! My name is **SEAN!** Speak up, please! I'm old!

1+2=3  
2+3=6  
老要味



This is my latest invention! This car has an ejector seat, laser guns, radar, sonar—it can go underwater, fly over land and—most important—has a quadrophonic sound system!

Why is a sound system so important?

So you can listen to the music while you're waiting in line for 3 hours to get **GAS** for this fantastic car!

What are you doing? You're killing characters from **ANOTHER MOVIE!** The audience will think this is **"STAR WARS II!"**

Hah!! We should **BE** so lucky!

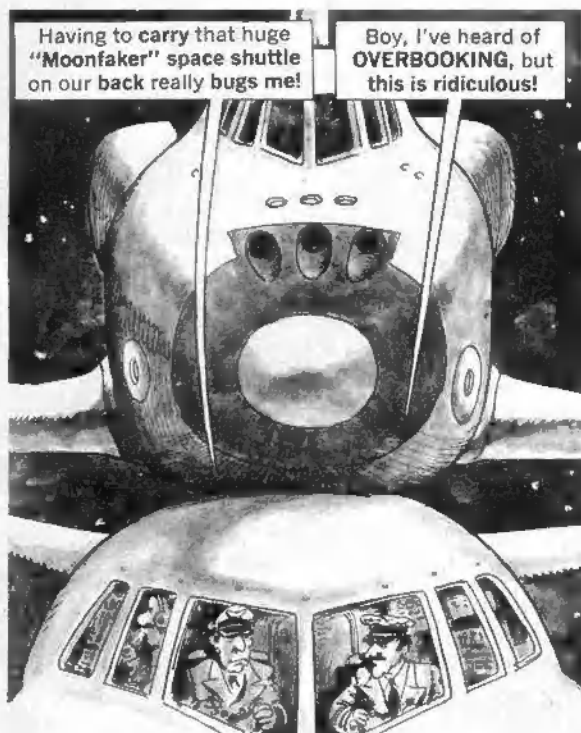




# ONEYRAKER

ARTIST:  
HARRY NORTH, ESQ.

WRITER: STAN HART



Having to carry that huge "Moonfaker" space shuttle on our back really bugs me!

Boy, I've heard of OVERBOOKING, but this is ridiculous!

What's THAT? It feels like someone is hijacking the "Moonfaker"!

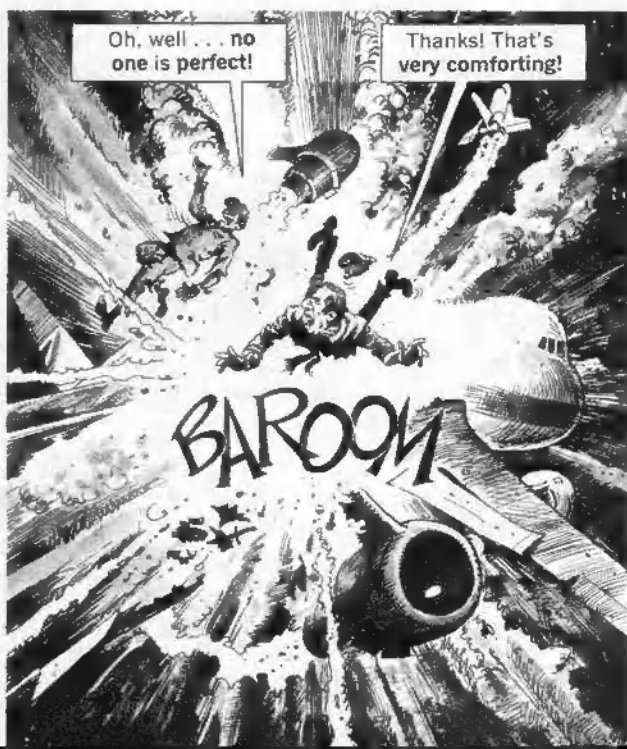
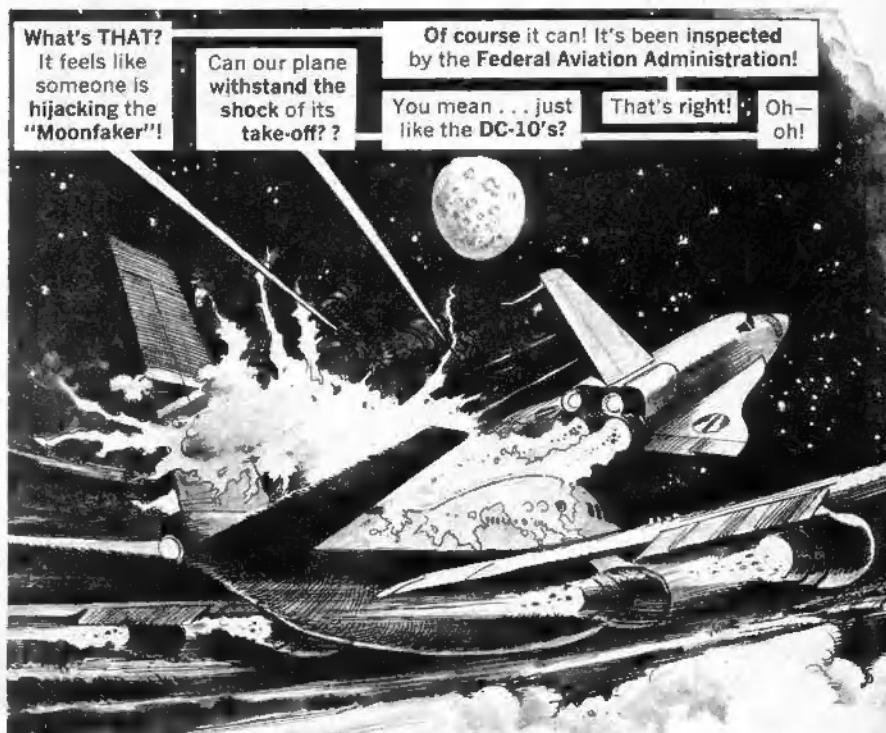
Can our plane withstand the shock of its take-off?

Of course it can! It's been inspected by the Federal Aviation Administration!

You mean ... just like the DC-10's?

That's right!

Oh—oh!



Oh, well ... no one is perfect!

Thanks! That's very comforting!

It's so confusing, making love to you in an airplane, James!

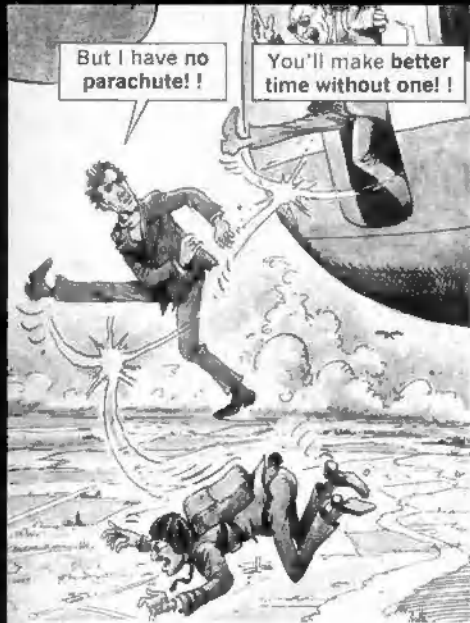
Oh? And why is that ... ?

Because I never know if it's the air turbulence, or your remote, foolish, slightly girlish GRIN that turns my stomach!

Okay, Mr. Bomb. ... prepare to die! Step out that door!

Excellent, Gentlemen! A rather effective way to bring me back down to Earth!





But I have no parachute!



You'll make better time without one!



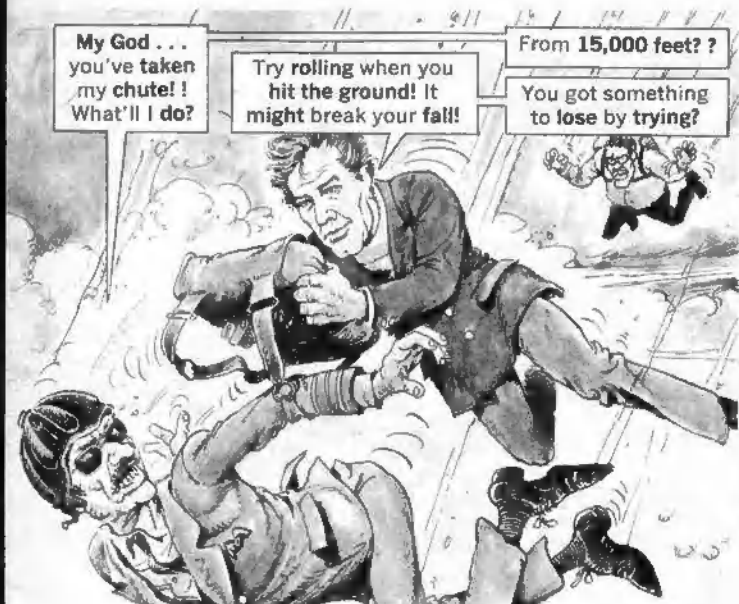
I better catch that guy ahead of me, or this is going to be the shortest, most expensive film ever made!



Kill!  
Kill!  
Kill!

Why do you hate James Bomb so much?

He looks exactly like my Orthodontist!



My God... you've taken my chute! What'll I do?

Try rolling when you hit the ground! It might break your fall!

From 15,000 feet?

You got something to lose by trying?



Well, well! My old adversary, Gnaws! Chewed on any good tin foil lately?

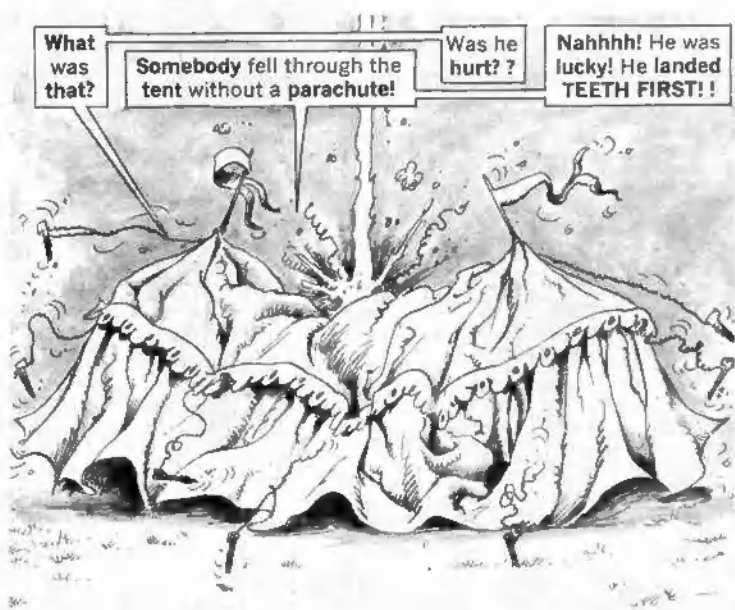
I've never seen that species of bird around here before! Aren't they strange...?

And their mating habits are even stranger! I hope they don't nest in the neighborhood!



So THIS is why they call it a "Rip Cord"!

Rip-PPP!

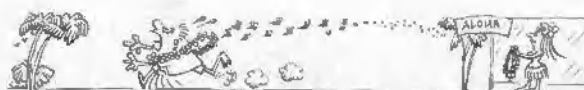


What was that?

Somebody fell through the tent without a parachute!

Was he hurt??

Nahhhh! He was lucky! He landed TEETH FIRST!!







Ah, Mr. Bomb! Welcome to my humble home! I imagine you have come to apologize for losing my "Moonfaker"!

Yes... I have! My Government is sorry! But... you surprise me, Mr. Dreks!

Oh...? Why...?

You have all of the most modern technology, and yet in some ways you are VERY OLD-FASHIONED!

In what way...??

In this day and age, who would think of using that old, tired cliché of the sinister oriental!

Kill James Bomb! !

Why me...??

Because I'm TOO OLD to invent new clichés! !



Er... I'm looking for Mr. Dreks's Chief Scientist, Doctor Goodtush!

I'M Dr. Goodtush! Don't look so surprised! I am an Astronomer, an Astrophysicist, a Space Physician and an Astronaut! In short... there is NOTHING that I want to do that I CAN'T do!

It's good you never wanted to ACT! It would end your streak! !

I imagine you KNOW what THIS is for...?

It's the Centrifugal Force Vehicle! It's used to simulate weightlessness!

WRONG...!!



... It makes Cotton Candy! We're the biggest manufacturer of Cotton Candy on the West Coast! !

All very well... but I think this thing is out of control! If it doesn't slow down, I'm afraid that something terrible might happen!

You're afraid that it might KILL you? ! ?

WORSE! ! It might MUSS MY HAIR! !

Say... YOU'RE not Dr. Goodtush! !

No, I'm a STAND-IN for Dr. Goodtush! She couldn't do this NEARLY as well as I!

Because... making love with you takes REAL ACTING ABILITY! !

Oh? What makes you say that?





So you gave Mr. Bomb the combination to my safe! You must pay for that! **SIC HER!!**

Why are you doing this?!? My dogs need their roughage!!

Stop, Doggies! Stop! I'm smoothage! I'm smoothage!



Why is 007 riding in that gondola all alone?

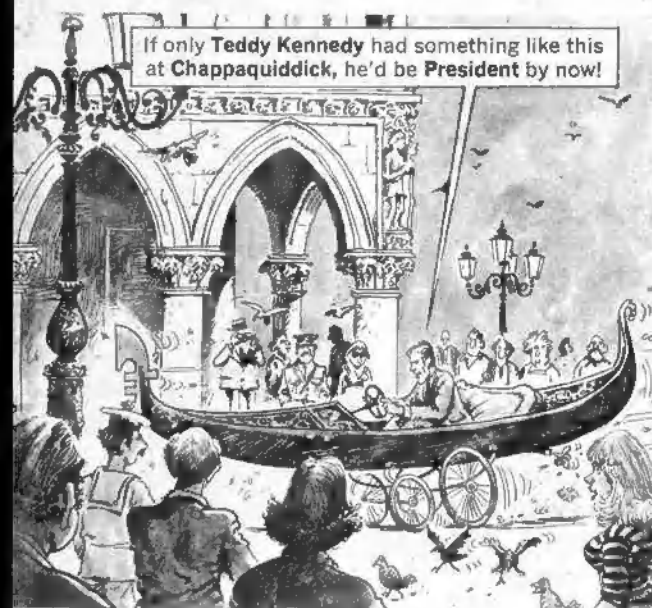
Because he wants to share the romantic experience with the one he loves the most! Mainly **HIMSELF!**



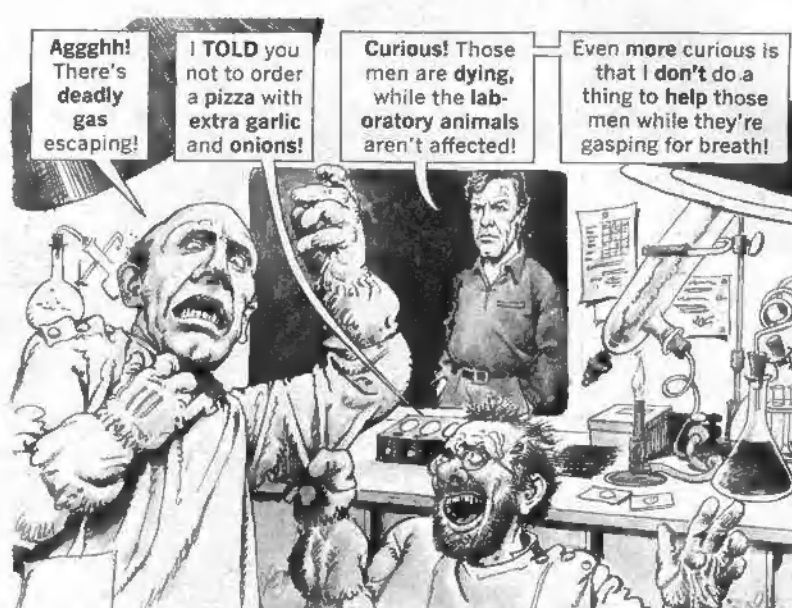
Say your prayers, Mr. Bomb! You're finished!

You're surrounded! There's **NO WAY OUT!!**

Guess again, crafty evil-doers!



If only **Teddy Kennedy** had something like this at Chappaquiddick, he'd be **President** by now!



Aggggh! There's deadly gas escaping!

I **TOLD** you not to order a pizza with extra garlic and onions!

Curious! Those men are dying, while the laboratory animals aren't affected!

Even more curious is that I **don't** do a thing to help those men while they're gasping for breath!



Expecting someone, Dr. Greattush? ?

The name is Dr. **GOODtush!**

Take it from me! I can see the light shining through your nightie! I asked if you were **expecting** someone, Doctor... ?

No one! We scientists **ALL** dress in skimpy, revealing nightgowns!

But not **ALL** scientists **LOOK** the way you do! F'rinstance, have you ever seen **Linus Pauling** in **HIS** nightgown? Not much to get worked up about there, I mean!!

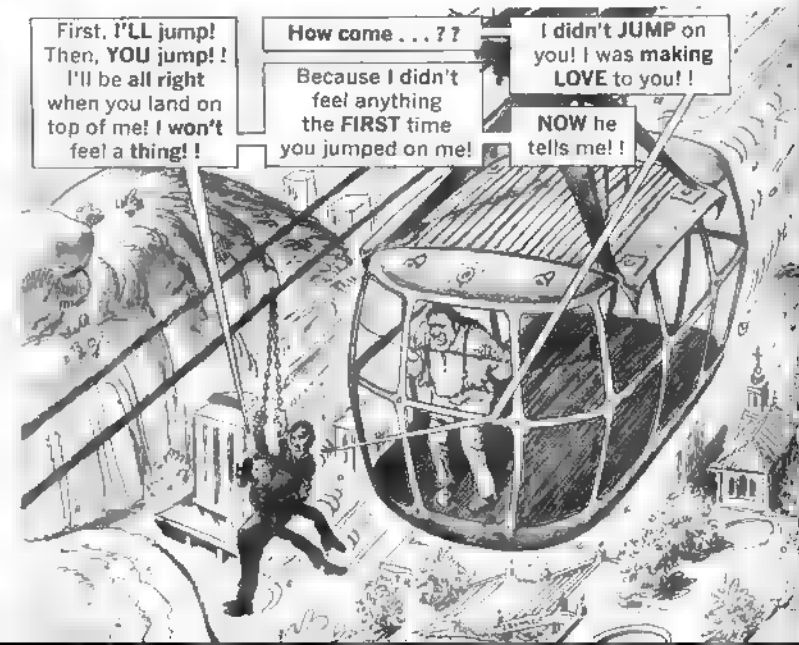
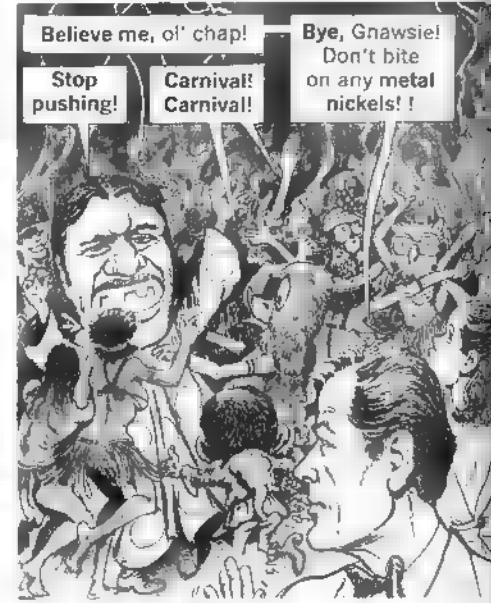
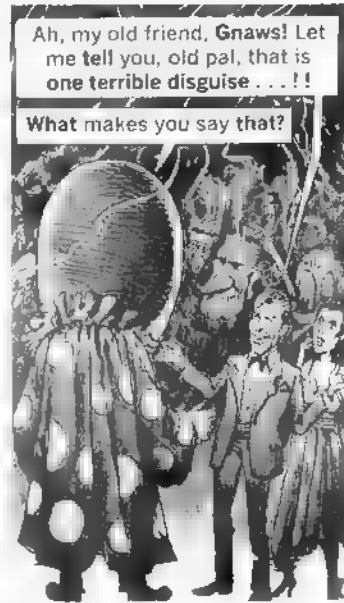
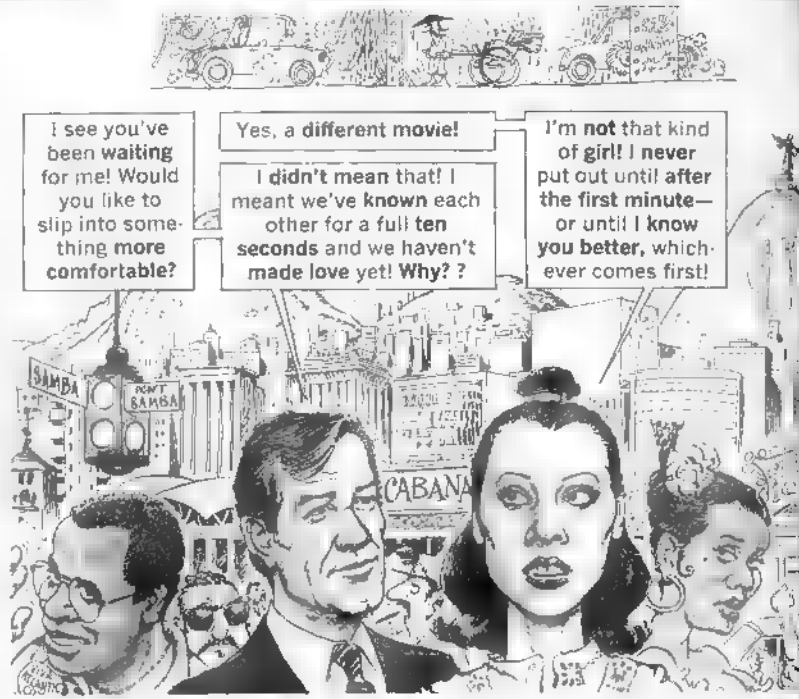
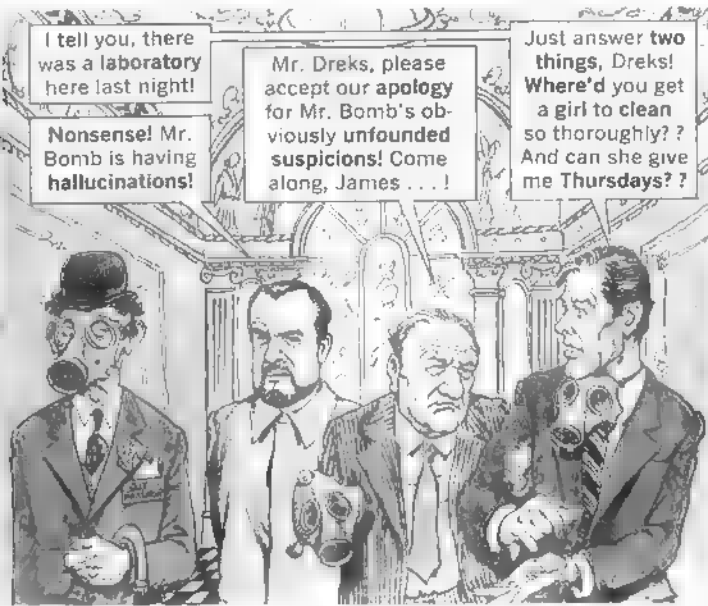


I think you are working for the **CIA!**

How can you tell? ?

Because, as of this moment, you've screwed up **EVERYTHING!**





Wow! You're beautiful!

Will you marry me?

So are you!

Sure thing!

And we'll have a family! I can see you now... coming home with a set of trains for the baby!

Yeah, so he can CHEW on them!



Why are we here?

To advance the film's plot?

How do we do that?

For one very good reason!

No, to defray some of the film's cost!

By giving plugs to companies who pay through the nose for them!

Hah! And audiences think they can get away from the rank commercialism of television by going to the movies!



You think I'm going to go over the falls and perish?

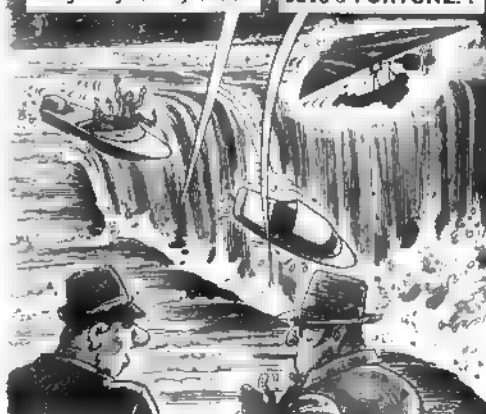
Watch this!



You know, Chief... I think it would be a lot smarter if we hired GNAWS instead of JAMES BOMB!

Why do you say that?

Because Gnaws is INDESTRUCTIBLE and doesn't need all those expensive gimmicks we give Bomb! We'd save a FORTUNE!!



I see Mr. Bomb is deeply affected by all this!

Oh? How can you tell?

He's raising an eyebrow!

Wow! Who said Doger Mooored can't show different emotions?

Unfortunately, he raises an eyebrow for EVERY emotion!



I hijacked my own "Moonfaker" because I needed it to complete my bold plan!

What bold plan...?

To change the Existing Order! To alter it beyond recognition and completely control the world!

You're too late, Dreks! It's already been done!

What? By whom?!

By the OPEC Nations!

See those pretty young couples? They are The New Order! They are being sent up to breed the New Master Race!

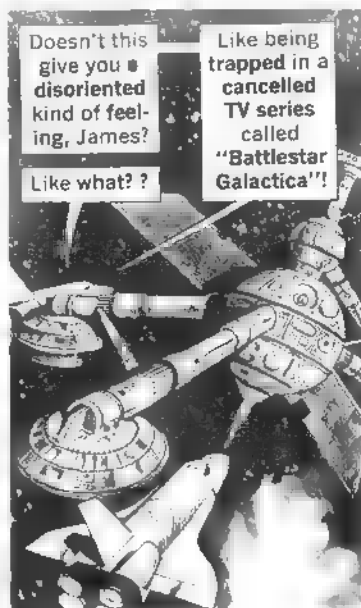
They may be pretty, but they're also very dumb!

What do you mean?

I just made FIFTY BUCKS selling them cocktails... and headsets for the "In-Flight Movie"!







Doesn't this give you a disoriented kind of feeling, James?

Like what? ?

Like being trapped in a cancelled TV series called "Battlestar Galactica"!!



This is their "Radar Jamming Section"! This is why no one on Earth knows about Dreks's Space Station! With this section operating, the Station makes absolutely no impression on our tracking devices!

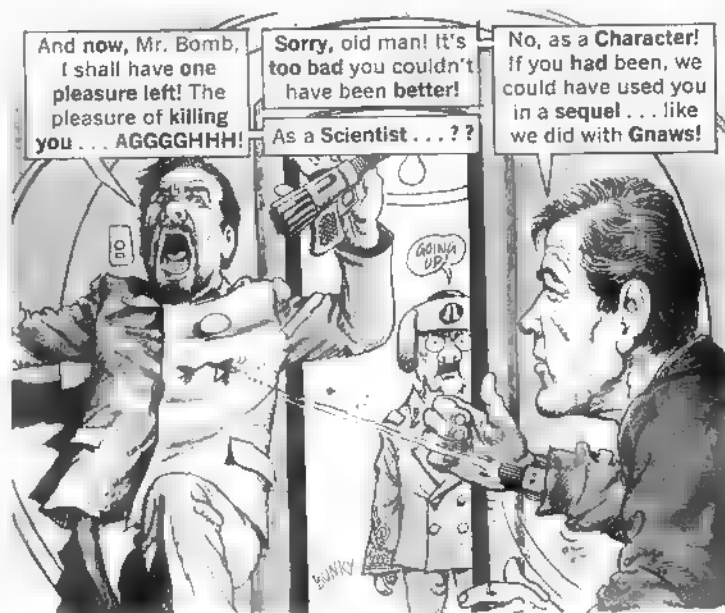
I'm beginning to feel this picture is having the same effect on our movie audience!



This is amazing! I never thought we could do it!

Do WHAT . . . ? ?

Destroy even more expensive props than in the LAST James Bomb picture! !

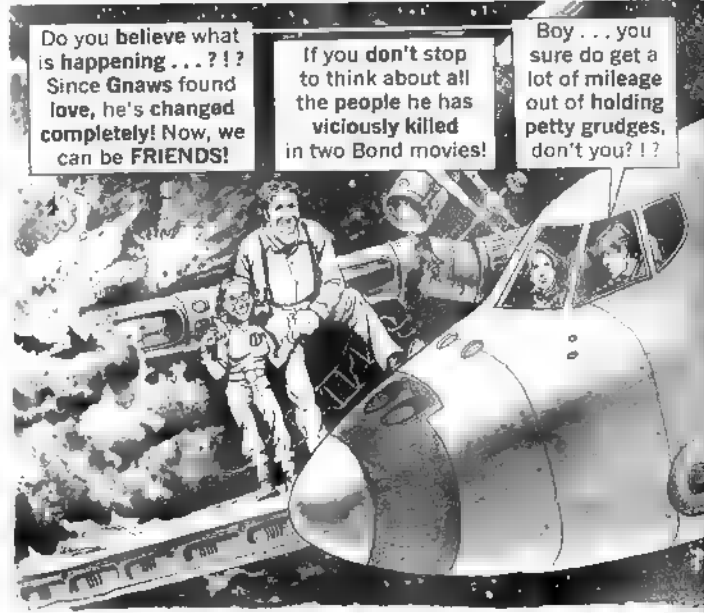


And now, Mr. Bomb, I shall have one pleasure left! The pleasure of killing you . . . AGGGGHHH!

Sorry, old man! It's too bad you couldn't have been better!

As a Scientist . . . ? ?

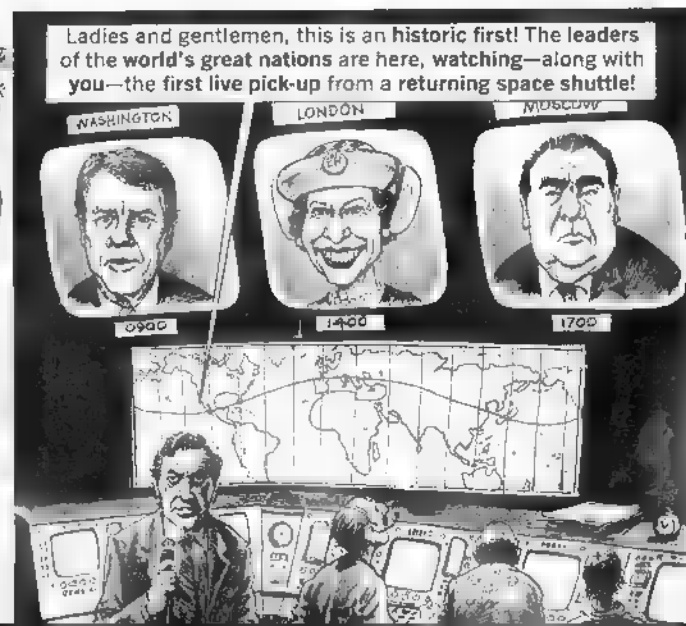
No, as a Character! If you had been, we could have used you in a sequel . . . like we did with Gnaws!



Do you believe what is happening . . . ? ! ? Since Gnaws found love, he's changed completely! Now, we can be FRIENDS!

If you don't stop to think about all the people he has viciously killed in two Bond movies!

Boy . . . you sure do get a lot of mileage out of holding petty grudges, don't you? ! ?



Ladies and gentlemen, this is an historic first! The leaders of the world's great nations are here, watching—along with you—the first live pick-up from a returning space shuttle!

WASHINGTON

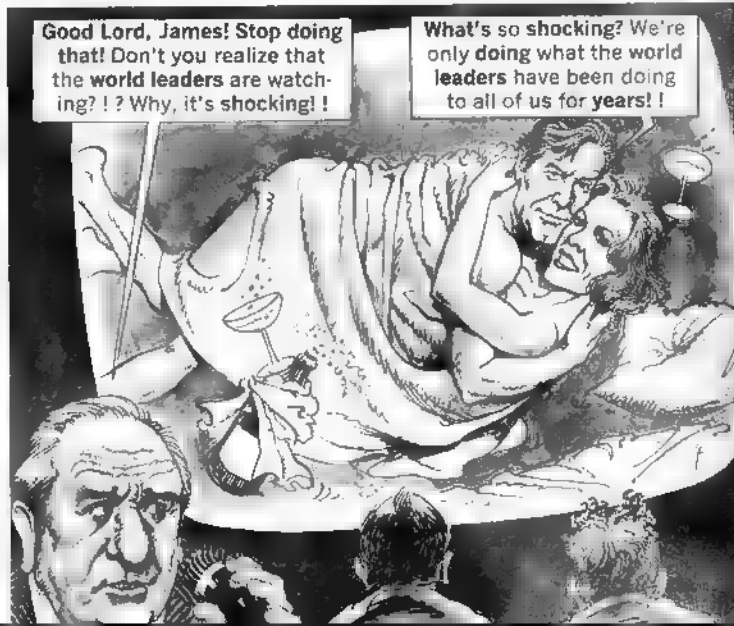
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Good Lord, James! Stop doing that! Don't you realize that the world leaders are watching? ! ? Why, it's shocking! !

What's so shocking? We're only doing what the world leaders have been doing to all of us for years! !

## WHY GO TO THE UNNECESSARY EXPENSE AND BOTHER OF INSTALLING ALARMS OR OTHER

# SURE-FIRE BURGLAR DET



# RESIDENCE OF MADAM OLGA

THE WITCH WHOSE BLACK POWERS  
CAN KILL WITH A MERE THOUGHT

P.S. The guy across the street doesn't even have a burglar alarm!

I'M JUST WAITING FOR  
THE NEXT \* \* & \$ TO  
SET FOOT IN  
THIS HOUSE!

Dear Mailman,  
We found bloodstains all over  
our mail. They must be yours. Next  
time you put the mail into our slot,  
please be sure to keep all parts of  
your body well clear of the opening.

*The Lippins*

*The Lipkins*  
P.S. Any sign of that book we sent  
for: "The Care And Feeding Of Wild  
Jungle Cats"?





FORMS OF SECURITY SYSTEMS TO DISCOURAGE THEFTS WHEN ALL YOU NEED ARE MAD'S

# ERRRRENTS FOR THE WARY HOME OR APARTMENT DWELLER

WRITER: DICK DE BARTOLO

空手  
**MEMBER  
BLACK BELT  
HANDS-OF-DEATH  
KARATE CLUB**

DEAR MR. EXTERMINATOR:

BE VERY CAREFUL WHEN  
YOU GO INSIDE! THE  
TERMITES HAVE EATEN  
THROUGH MOST OF THE  
FLOORBOARDS, AND  
YOU WILL FALL INTO  
THE BASEMENT WHERE  
ALL THE RATS ARE!

THE GLUMBACHERS-

*Lobel Butchers:  
Starting tomorrow, please  
leave Eight pounds of Meat  
for Brutus. Six pounds only  
makes him Angry and Vicious!  
Mr. & Mrs. Angel*

**WE GAVE  
TO THE  
GODFATHER'S  
"REVENGE  
IS  
SWEET"  
SOCIETY**



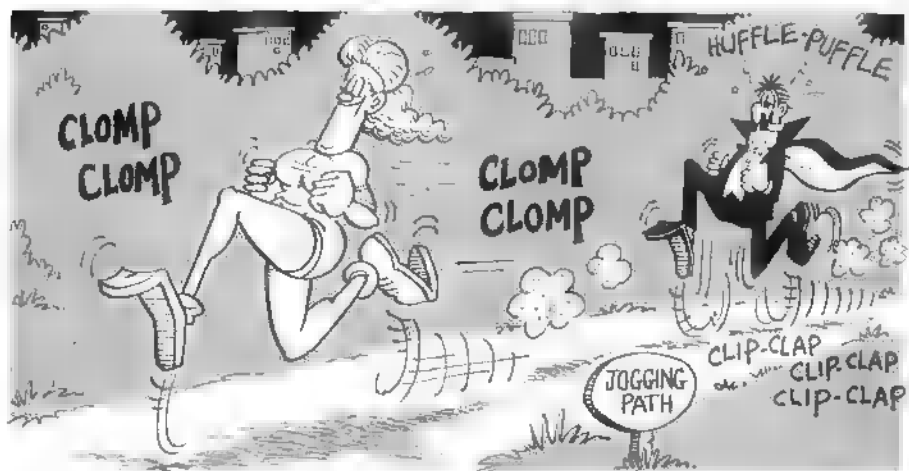
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THESE PREMISES PROTECTED BY A  
**FINSTER**  
20,000 VOLT  
"FRY-AND-DIE"  
BURGLAR TRAP



*Selma -  
Don't come in! The  
Boa Constrictor got  
loose again -  
Stan*

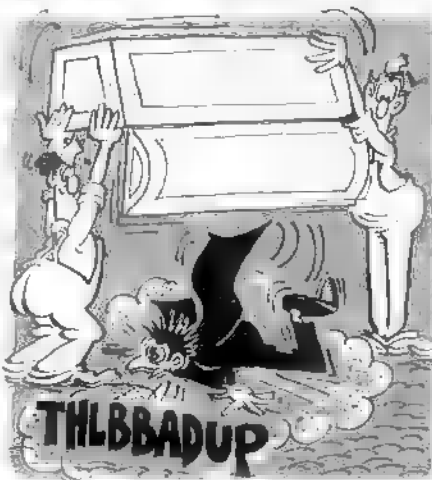
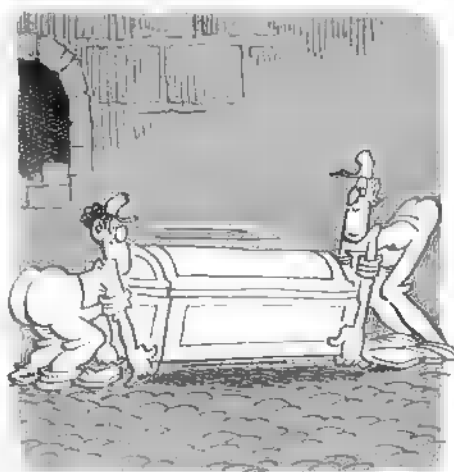
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# DON MARTIN LOOKS AT...





# RACULA







**GODSELL DEPT.**

If you've ever watched TV on a **Sunday** morning, you know what you get . . . **NOT "Tom and Jerry" or "The Flintstones!"** No, you get **religious programs!** And not only the **regular religious programs**, but also the **"hucksters of religion,"** who are the **hardest-sell people around!** Hi, I'm **Mike Malice**, and today we're going to **explore this interesting aspect of the "Religious Revival" in the United States** as we interview

# MAD'S "RELIGION" PROMOTER OF THE YEAR

Our subject is the prominent Clergyman and Evangelist, the Reverend Osgood Venal! Hello, Reverend Venal!

God bless you, Mike, and God bless your wonderful readers!

I'd like to ask some questions—

And God bless your questions! Welcome to "The Temple Of My Fervent Hope"!

And just what **IS** your fervent hope?

That no one finds out I took kickbacks from contractors and building trade unions!

I love this tabernacle! The marble cost a cool mil! The stained glass went for 800 thou! You can just feel this is a House of God, right?

I'm not sure! Didn't God tell us to forsake all worldly wealth???

He **DID???** Then He must have said it **before** He created money!!



ARTIST: JACK DAVIS

WRITER: STAN HART

Tell us . . . where did you get your Degree in Divinity, Reverend Venal . . . ?

At Western North Dakota Seminary!

I'm not sure I know where that campus is!

What campus???

It's a P.O. box! You send 'em fifty bucks and you get your diploma by return mail!

So you never really worked for your Degree!

Are you kidding? I worked plenty hard selling Used Cars so I could save up the fifty bucks!

And then you stopped selling Used Cars and went into your new career?

It's the same old career! Only the product is different!



How did all this get started, Reverend Venal?

It was an Act of God! It was His Will that I happened to be having a Bloody Mary in a cocktail lounge when I overheard something that changed my life!

What was that?

A well-known millionaire—talking about his sinful extra-marital affairs!

And you saved him by showing him the true path . . . ?

No, I saved him by not telling his Wife! He became my largest contributor!

This is one of my most important wings! Let's talk low so we don't disturb them!

Are they praying?

You bet! They're praying that the Internal Revenue Service doesn't audit my books!

Why should your parishioners pray for that?

They're not my parishioners!

They're my ACCOUNTANTS! These people are very important! Dopey parishioners are a dime a dozen!

I'm getting ready to conduct my "Repentant Sinners Weekly Matinee Service"! Don't you just love my robes? I have them tailor-made for me by Gucci!

They're so—so flashy! I mean, God doesn't care about expensive raiments like that, does He?

Why should He?! He's an old guy that nobody ever sees! He doesn't have to worry about being a snappy dresser! But I've got my public to consider!

Oh, you sinners! I want to talk to you women out there who are morally corrupt . . . who engage in casual sexual relationships . . . who commit adultery! Repent . . . before it is too late! Come and be rescued from the everlasting fires of Hell! Give yourself over to His mercy and forgiveness and be saved! Let me show you the way . . .

Save us . . . !

Oh, yes! Save us . . . !

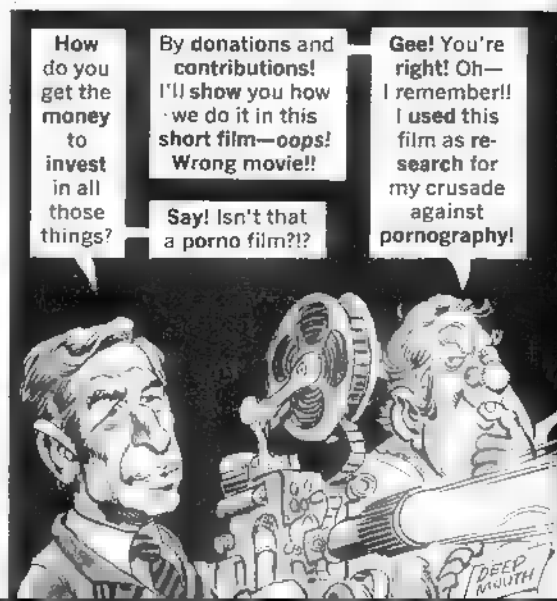
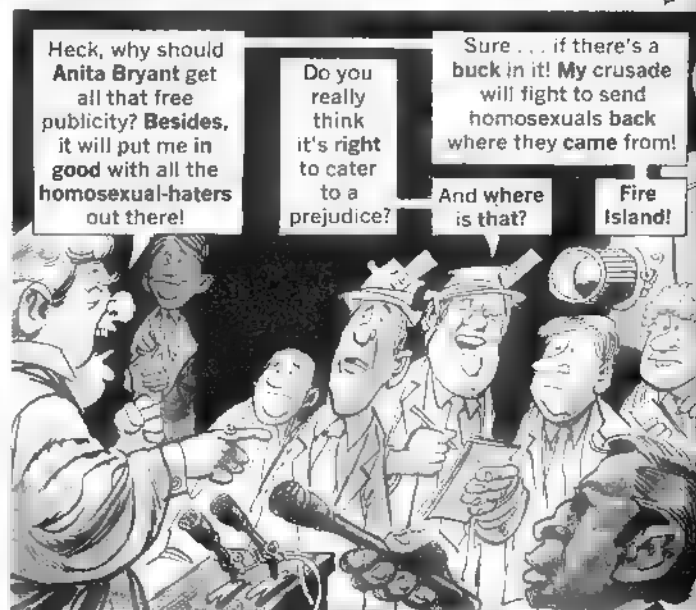
What are you going to do now, Reverend Venal . . . ?

First, I'll have them fill out these cards with their names and addresses! Then, I'll save them!

The sinners?

No, the address cards! To use when my Wife's out of town . . . heh-heh!





Tell me . . .  
how do you  
feel about  
pornography?

It's nauseating!  
After seeing this  
movie 25 times,  
I got sick of it!

What are they doing to  
that Salvation Army lady?

Making her relocate!  
Why should she hog  
the best spot! Our  
Christmas campaign  
is so successful,  
I plan on doing it  
again in June!

You can't do  
that! Christmas  
is on Dec. 25th  
to celebrate the  
birth of Christ!

It IS! Sorry  
you told me! You  
screwed up a  
great promotion!

For a contribution of  
\$1000, we put the  
donor's name on a  
plaque, and attach  
it to a seat! We now  
have 5000 donors!

But you only have  
2500 seats! How do  
you handle that . . . ?

The people whose  
names begin with  
A to K come to  
the morning ser-  
vice! And the L's  
to Z's come to  
the afternoon  
service! During  
the break, we  
switch plaques!!

Here's a real good  
fund-raiser for us!  
"Our Lady Of The  
Hard Eight Casino"!

Absolutely  
right! But we  
take the sin  
out of it!

We use marked cards  
and loaded dice!  
Our parishioners  
aren't taking any  
chances here! The  
house always wins!  
Heh-heh-heh . . .

But aren't games  
of chance sinful?

Oh? How do  
you do that?

And who are they?

God's helpers!  
They run the  
Casino for me!

But they  
look like  
they're in  
"The Mob"!

"Judge not, lest ye shall be  
judged!" In ancient times,  
some people called the Twelve  
Apostles "The Mob"! It's all  
in the way you look at it!

And this  
is my  
proudest  
achievement  
. . . my own  
tax-exempt  
college!

I've noticed, as we've  
gone through your col-  
lege and church, that  
we haven't seen any  
Blacks! Do you discrim-  
inate against Blacks?

Oh, that is a low  
blow, Mike! A low  
blow indeed! I most  
certainly do have  
Blacks in my college!

How many?

Five!!

We share the  
same religious  
principle!

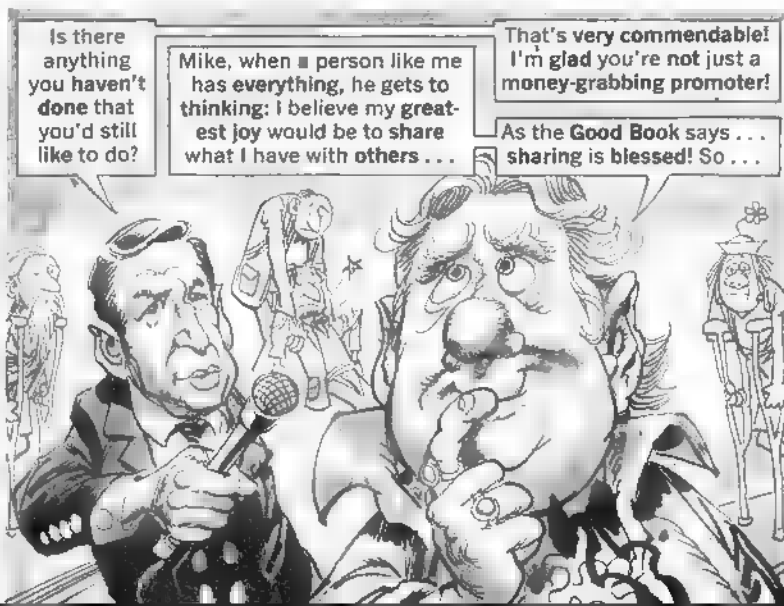
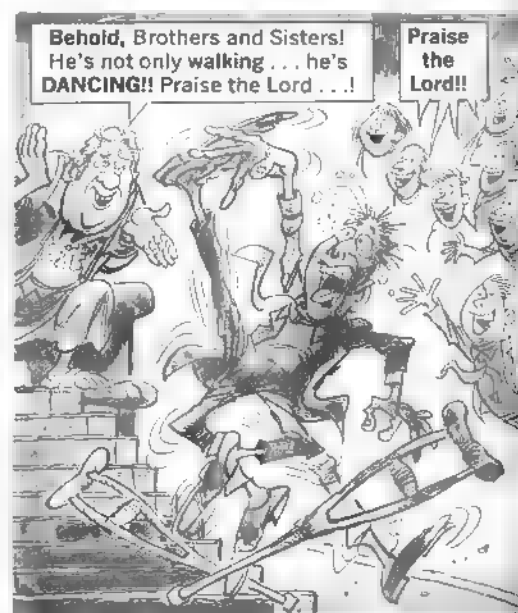
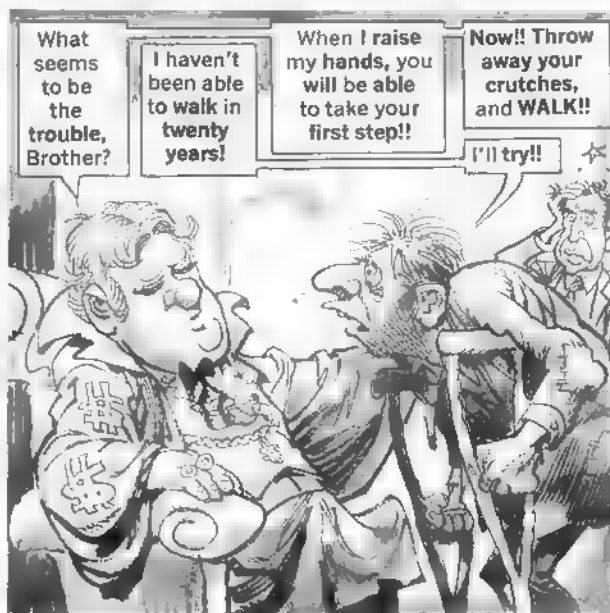
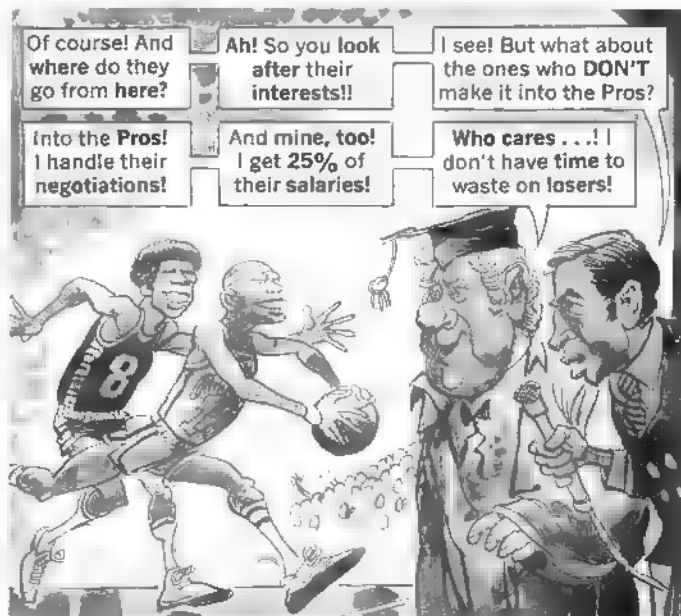
What religious  
principle is  
that . . . ?!

Winning at all  
costs! I have  
scouts that  
scour ghetto  
schoolyards for talent!

Isn't  
that  
nice!  
And when  
they  
graduate?

What gradu-  
ate? They  
play out  
their four  
years of  
eligibility  
and move on!





## BYGONE BUY-GONES DEPT.

Despite all the books written about major events in history, we still know very little about the way our ancestors lived their normal, every-day lives. That's because the world didn't have Classified Telephone Directories in the past. And

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ARTIST: BOB CLARKE

WRITER: TOM KOCH

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there's no substitute for reading The Yellow Pages to find out how a community lives and works. So let's suppose the telephone had been invented in the time of the Middle Ages, and phone books appeared soon after. Here is a MAD look at



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# A MAD LOOK AT THE SILENT

NOW GO OUT THERE AND  
HIT THOSE SISSIES!!

Those are 360  
POUND siissies!

Gatorade gives  
me the runs!!

What am I doing here! I'm an  
Interior Decorating Major!!

Their Cheerleaders wear no bras!  
Their Cheerleaders wear no bras!

Before I introduce this year's recipients of our award, let me first say a few words about our distinguished guest...

If he hurries,  
I can still catch the  
second half of the  
Vikings-Rams game!

My shirt  
is caught  
in my  
zipper!

It took a bundle  
to get the votes,  
but I'll make it  
up in kick-backs!

If this goes  
on any longer,  
I'll need  
another drink!

Big deal! Any  
schmuck can win  
this Humpty-  
Dumpty award!

I wonder if anybody  
will be offended if  
I get up and leave!  
I gotta go so bad!

Today, after singing our Company Song,  
we are going to try to sell our five  
millionth portion of "Creamed Chicken  
On A Sesame Seed Muffin"! So go out  
there and put on a great show! Ready?

This is a  
heckuva way  
to break  
into Show  
Business!

The word  
"chicken"  
ALONE  
makes me  
sick!

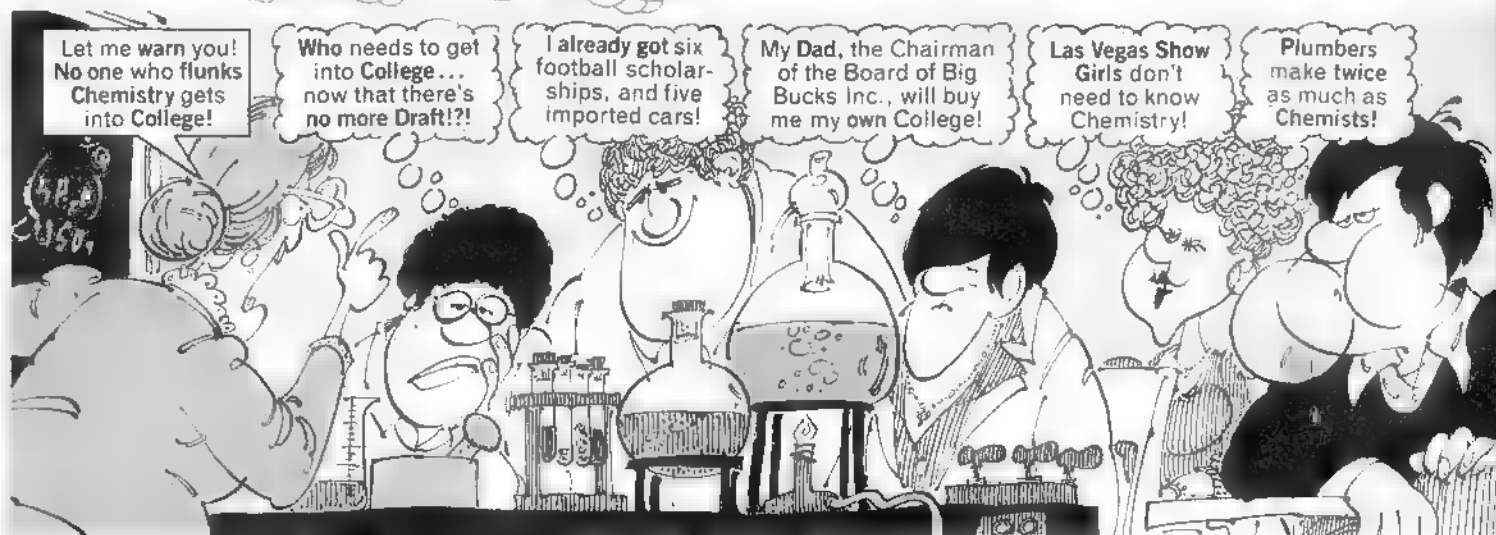
Someday, I'll  
have me my  
own chain of  
"Chitlins an'  
Ribs" stands!

Gee, I sure  
hope my  
blood test  
comes back  
"Negative"!

I wonder if  
this Creamed  
Chicken is  
what's giving  
me my acne!

# thinking

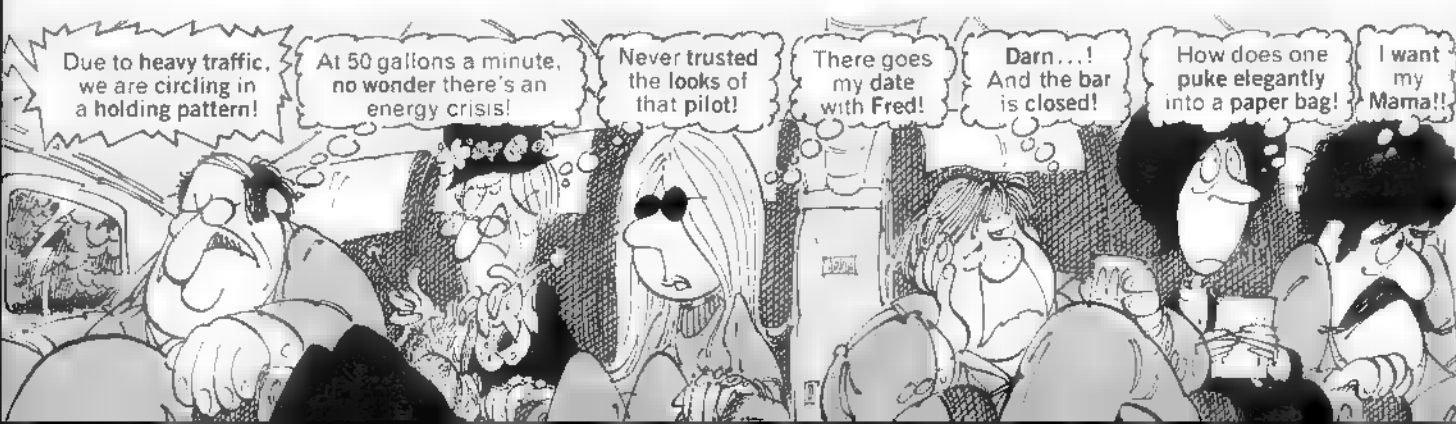
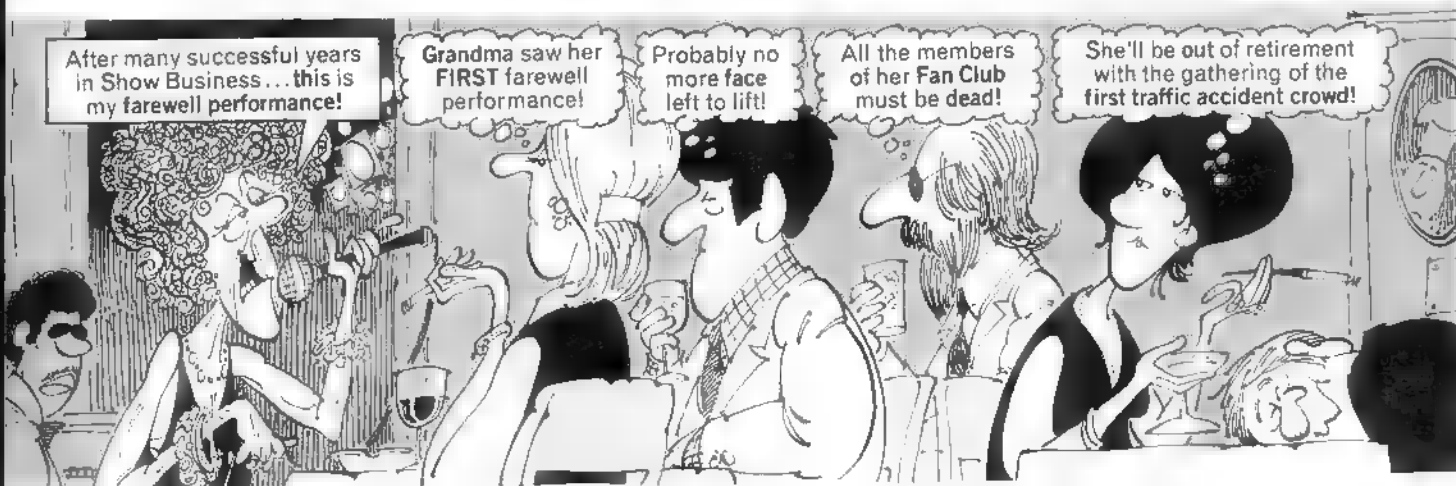
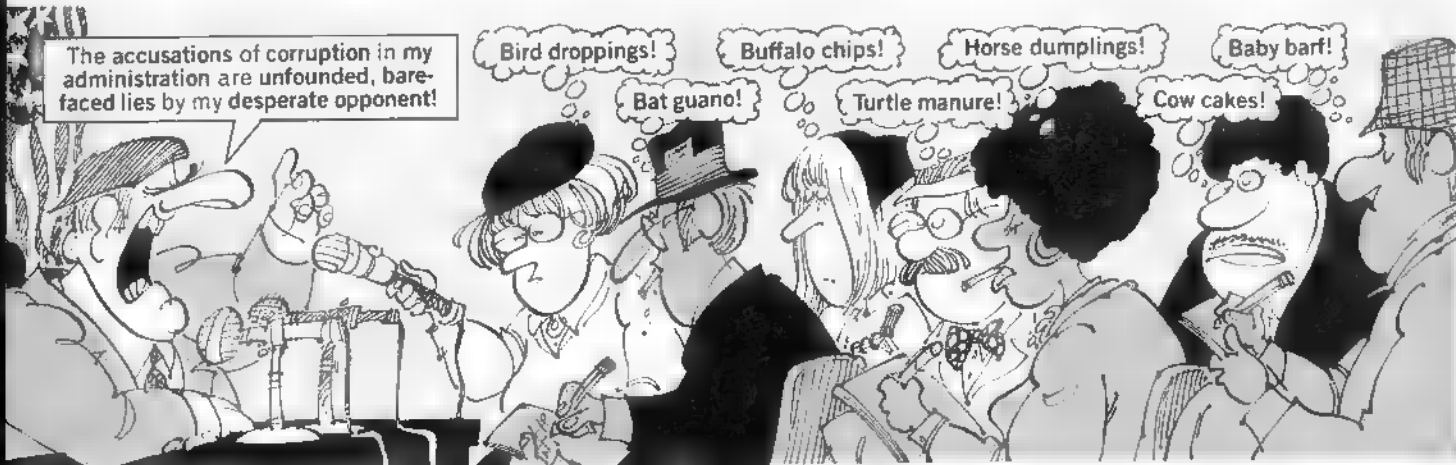
# AUDIENCE



ARTIST: PAUL COKER, JR.

WRITER: PAUL PETER FORGES







## SHOLASTRICKS DEPT.

Several times in past issues, we've explored the changes that have taken place in our educational system. Among other things, we've seen how attitudes, dress and the life-styles of students have changed over the decades. Now, here is . . .

# A MAD LOOK AT THE CHANGING TOOLS OF EDUCATION

ARTIST: JACK RICKARD

WRITER: LARRY SIEGEL

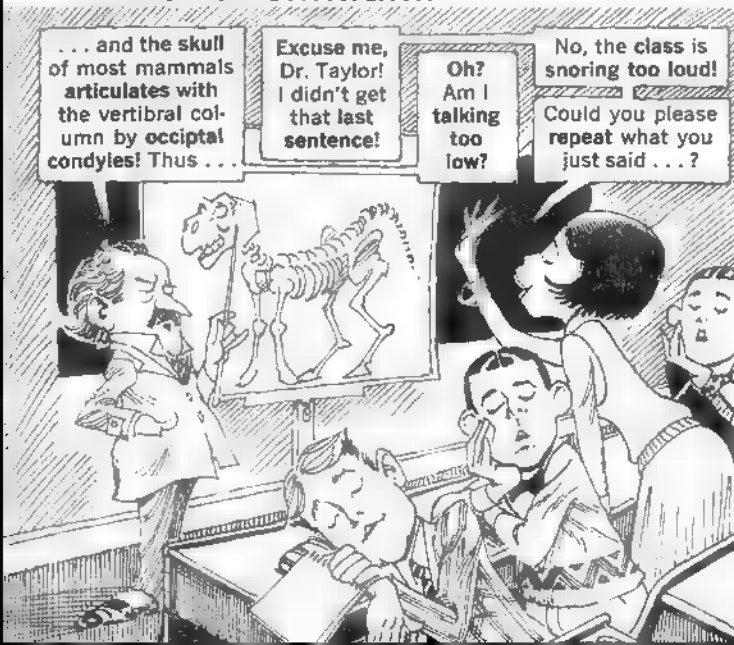
## MATH...THEN...



## ...AND NOW...



## TAKING NOTES...THEN...



## ...AND NOW...



## ANNOUNCEMENTS...THEN...

Boys and girls, as Principal, I've called this assembly to say that the deportment in this school lately has been abominable! I've learned that students have been **stealing books and pens and gym shoes and lunch money and supplies** ...

What's he saying???

Speak up, Mr. Bentley!!

Yeah! We can't hear you!!

and microphone cords ... and ...



## ...AND NOW...

Attention, boys and girls! This is your Principal, addressing you over your classroom loudspeakers ...

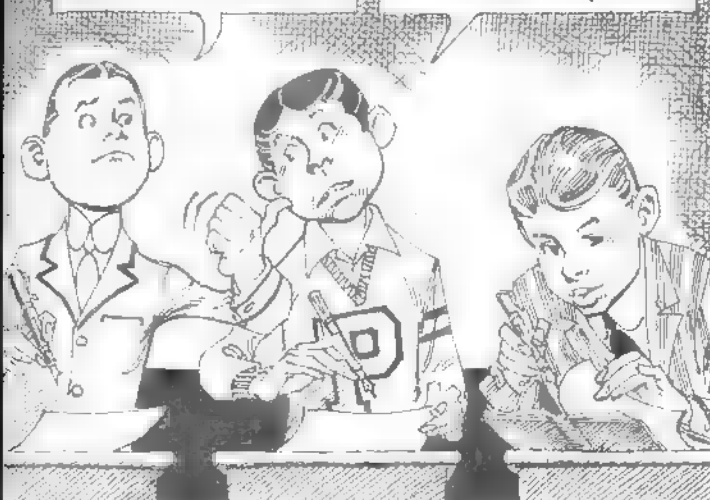
It's been reported to me that the deportment in this school has been **inexcusable!** Now, you will either conduct yourselves like **MATURE** young men and women ... or else ...



## SCHOOL MORALITY...THEN...

Hey, how do you like that Charlie!? Sneaking a text book into class during an exam so he can cheat ... ?!

I think it's disgusting! Look, idiot! Stop pointing at him like that! I can't read your answer to the last question!



## ...AND NOW...

... and our trained staff specializes in writing book reports, term papers—even a Master's thesis on any subject you want!

You expect me to take someone else's work and use it as my own?! That's **unspeakable, dishonest and immoral!**

Take, hell! It's gonna cost you **\$750!**

Make it **\$700**, and you got a deal!!



## LANGUAGE CLASS...THEN...

Please conjugate the present tense singular of the verb "être" for us, Philip ...

Je suis ... tu es ...  
il est ... elle est ...

Très bien, Philip! Remember, class ... **unlike Latin, French is a living language! It's alive today ... just like you and I!**

Hmmph! If it's alive like her, I give them both **another week!**



## ...AND NOW...

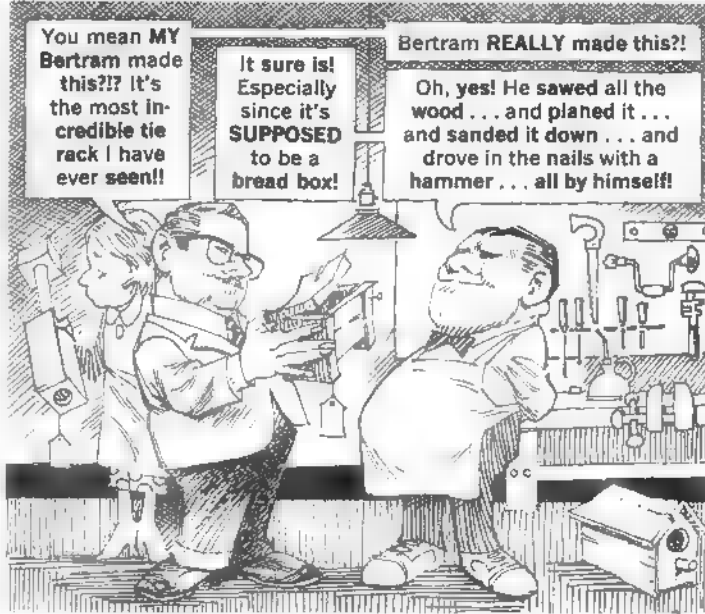
... nous avons ... vous avez ... ils ont ... elles ont! And that's how we conjugate the verb "être"!

Unlike Latin, French today is alive and vital! Yes, we can safely say French is a living language ... tick-tick ...

a living language ... tick-tick ...  
a living language ... tick-tick ...  
a living language ... tick-tick ...



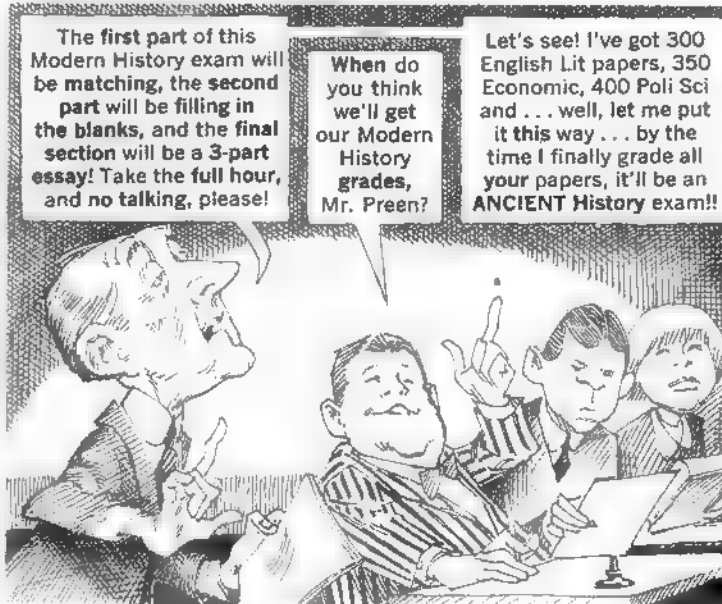
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## ...AND NOW...



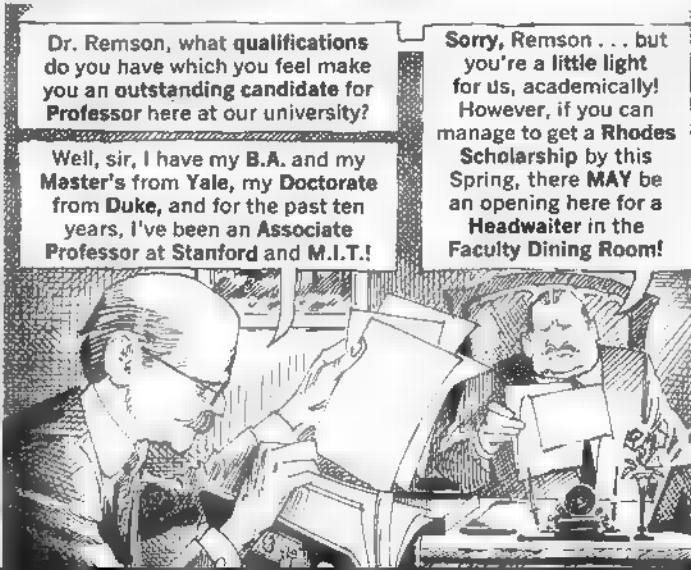
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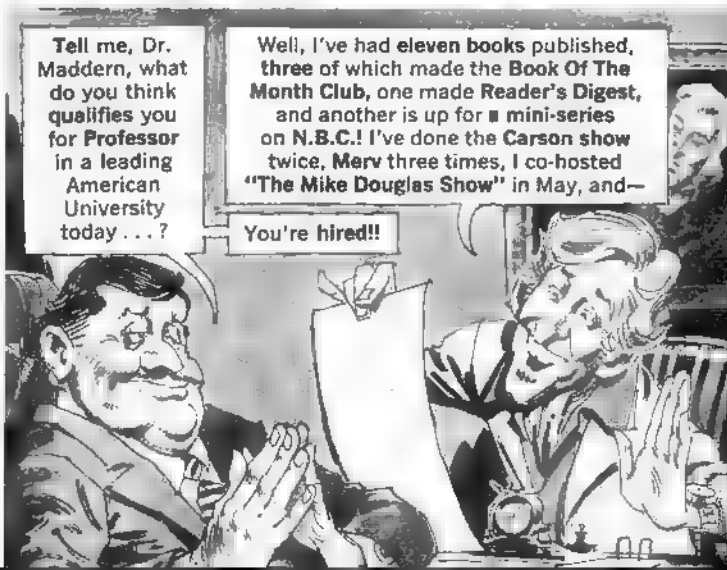
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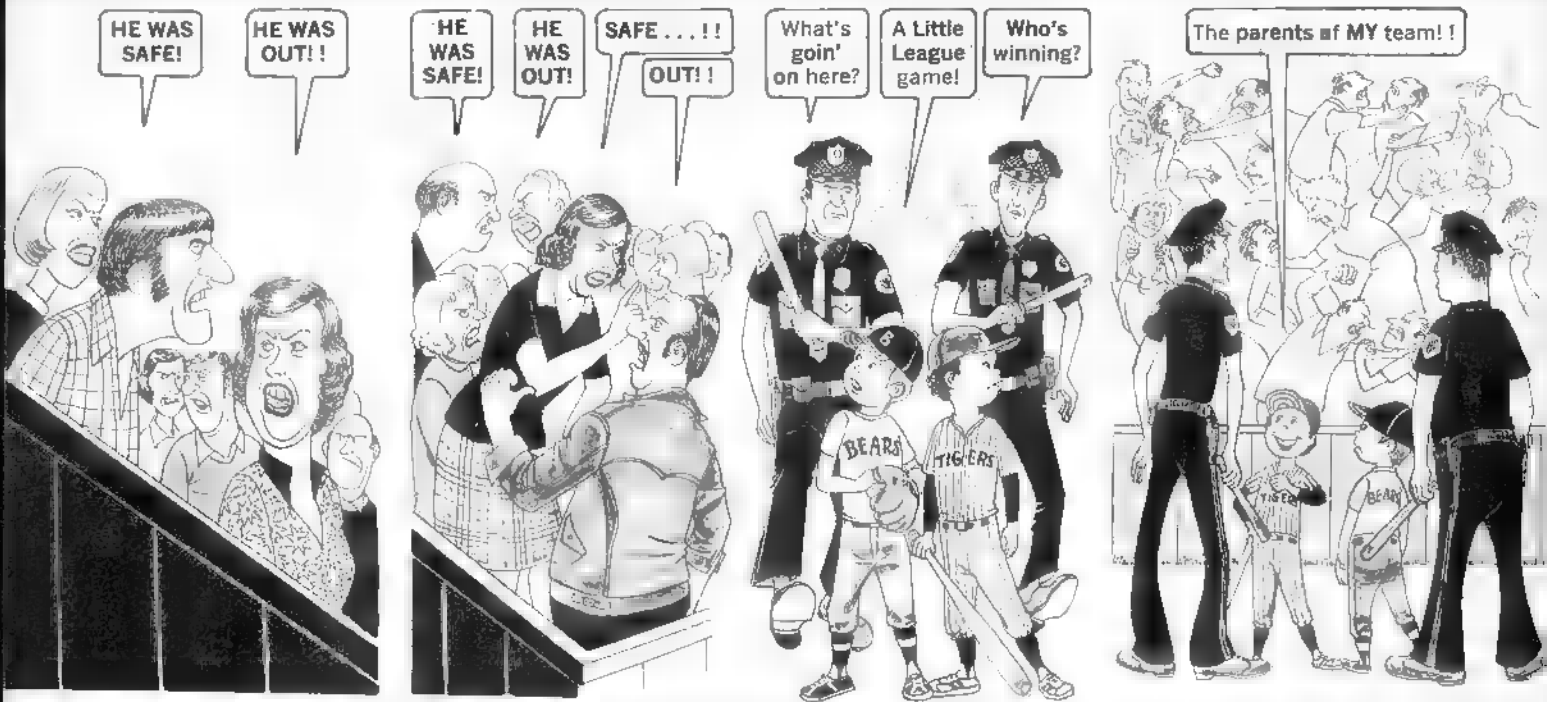
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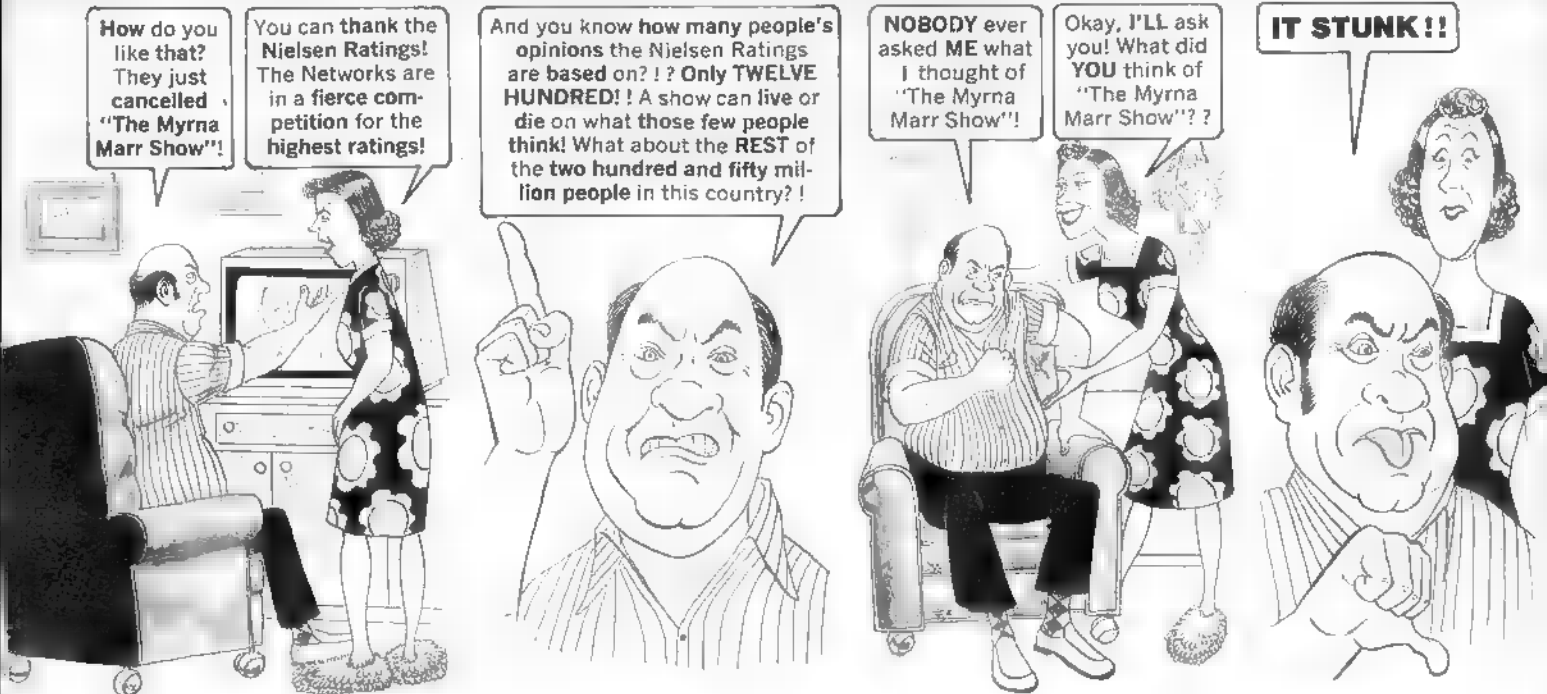


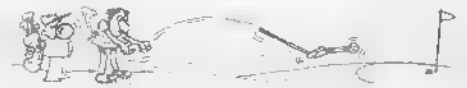


BERG'S-EYE VIEW DEPT.

# THE LIGHTER SIDE OF...

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It's almost like the old days! We're in a **PRICE WAR** with the gas station across the street!

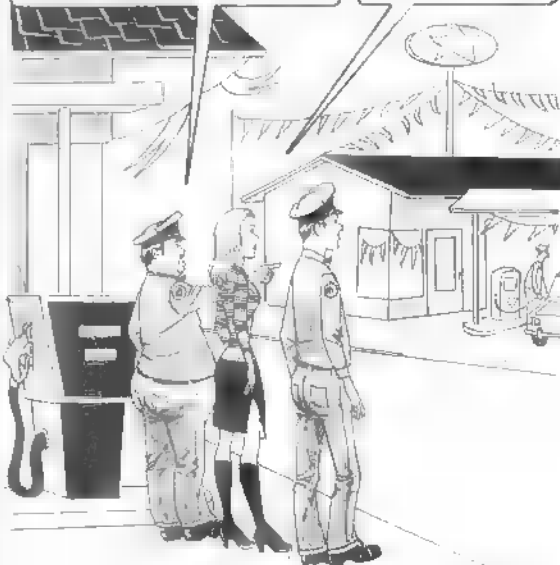
Are you kidding?! At a time of gas shortages . . . ? ?

That makes the competition even fiercer!

So who's winning!

Right now, **WE** are! !

**OUR** prices are **HIGHER!** !



# COMPETITION

ARTIST & WRITER:  
DAVE BERG

I've got a classic rivalry going on in my home! The little one and the big one are **BOTH** constantly competing for my attention!

The big one is the worst! He's jealous of the little one! He pulls all sorts of tricks to beat him out! He even throws temper tantrums!

I'm going out of my **MIND!** !

How many children do you have in your family?

Just **THOSE TWO!** !



My Father  
can lick  
your  
Father!

Oh, yeah? !  
I'll make  
you a bet,  
wise guy! !

Hey, Dad!  
**Bernard**  
says his  
Father can  
beat the hell  
out of you!

He **DID**,  
did he? ! ?  
Well, we'll  
**SEE**  
about  
that!

Hey, Kaputnik!  
Your kid says  
you can wipe up  
the floor with  
me! Put up  
your dukes! !

Oh,  
yeah? !  
I'll make  
you a  
bet, wise  
guy!

I'll bet you my kid is a  
bigger liar than your kid!



Oy! My  
dentures  
are  
killing  
me!

You think **YOU'VE**  
got troubles? My  
arthritis is so  
bad, it's agony  
to move around!

My feet  
hurt if  
I walk  
just a  
couple of  
blocks!

Is that so? ! What do  
**YOU** know about hurt? !  
I know about hurt! !  
My back is so painful,  
it's a miracle I'm  
**STILL ALIVE! !**

I can't stand that woman!  
All she ever **does** is com-  
plain about her ailments!

So do **YOU** . . . ! !

Yeah, but **HERS** are always  
**BETTER** than mine! ! !



My Son is a Law Student  
in an Ivy League College!  
It's costing me a **FORTUNE!**

**Big Deal! !** My Son is a  
**MEDICAL** Student in an  
Ivy League College! It's  
costing **ME** a fortune!

Hah! ! You think **THAT'S**  
something! ! My Son is  
a **School DROP-OUT!** He's  
got a nine-to-five job  
with a **Petroleum Company!**

So . . .  
what's  
to  
brag  
about? !

He's **MAKING** a fortune! !





Welcome to the neighborhood! I live right next door in the look-alike house! How much did you pay for yours?

I got it from the previous owner for \$100,000!

Wow! That shows you what inflation will do! Twenty years ago, I only paid \$27,000 for mine!

Oh boy! That hurts! I guess I paid through the nose!

I see you met our new neighbor! What do you think of him?

Not very much!

He's a poor dumb slob who lives in a **CHEAP HOUSE!**



Hi, there! I'd like to welcome you to your first day on the job!

Thanks! Now, let's lay down some ground rules at the outset! I am a **Militant Women's Libber!** I'm getting equal pay for equal work!

Okay! That's the way it should be!

And since this is a **commission job**, I intend to give you plenty of competition without expecting any privileges!

Okay... if that's the way you want it! But you'll have to excuse me right now! I see a potential customer...

Hold it there, Buster! !

**LADIES FIRST...!!**



There goes Ed McGilla, the crud who **SPOILS** it for the **REST** of us!

In every test, that rat manages to come out **top** of the class!

How does he do it?

**HE CHEATS!!**

When the rest of us leave the dorm to go down to the **Beer Joint** and booze it up with chicks, **HE** sneaks back to the **Administration Building!**

And he steals the **EXAMS?**!

Worse than **THAT**...!

**HE STUDIES!!**



I went to apply for a job today, and hundreds of others showed up! We had to fill out a questionnaire and submit a resume! When I saw what the others were putting down, I knew I was under-qualified!

So I lied like hell! I filled pages and pages with things I never really did! It was a magnificent piece of fiction!

So did you get the job?

Nope!

How come . . . ? ?

I was OVER-qualified! !



You play so **FEROCIOUSLY!**

You bet! I'm out for blood!

I can remember being taught, "It matters **NOT** if you **WIN** or **LOSE**, but **HOW** you play the game!"

That's sissy talk! Vince Lombardi said, "Winning isn't everything . . . it's the **ONLY** thing! !"

**THAT'S** why I show my opponent **NO MERCY!** I'm out to **MURDER THE BUM!** !

Playing **SOLITAIRE . . . ? !**



It's not fair! Mommy loves **YOU** more than she loves **ME!** !

I wish it was true, but it ain't!

Mommy, don't you love **FREDDY** more than you love **ME!** ?

How can you **SAY** that? ! ?

My children are like fingers on my hand! If I bang my thumb, it hurts as much as if I bang my pinky! And I feel the same way about the two of you!

You **BOTH** give me a pain! !



**GIVIN' 'EM A RIBBIN' DEPT.**

Why restrict the awarding of medals to the military? After all, Civilians perform heroic acts while fighting life's daily battles as well! Let's recognize them with

# THIS ISSUE'S PROPOSED MAD MEDALS

... TO BE PRESENTED TO DESERVING WORKING PEOPLE

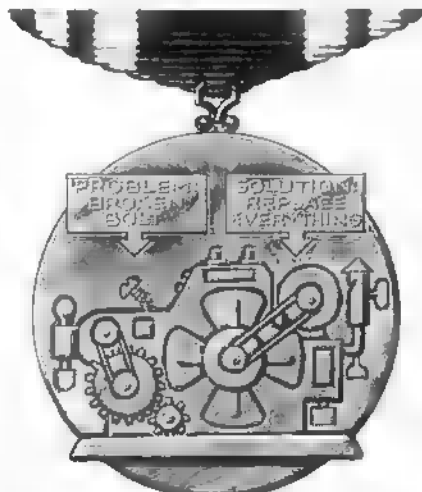
ARTIST & WRITER: AL JAFFEE

**THE JOB-EFFICIENCY  
MEDAL**



Presented to blue collar workers who manage to remain on the job without getting fired while half asleep (on Fridays) and hung over (on Mondays), even though the quality of work produced is disgraceful and dangerous.

**THE PIGGY-BACK  
PARTS AWARD**



Goes to repairmen who courageously replace an entire mechanical system in a car or an appliance, even though only a tiny part of it is malfunctioning... thus protecting thousands of jobs in the "Parts Manufacturing" industries.

**THE PURLOINED  
PAPER CLIP MEDAL**



Goes to white collar workers who create fringe benefits by using company supplies and services, and by taking home anything that isn't nailed down. These are lots better than pay raises, since no taxes are collected on them.

**THE SILVER  
TONGUE AWARD**

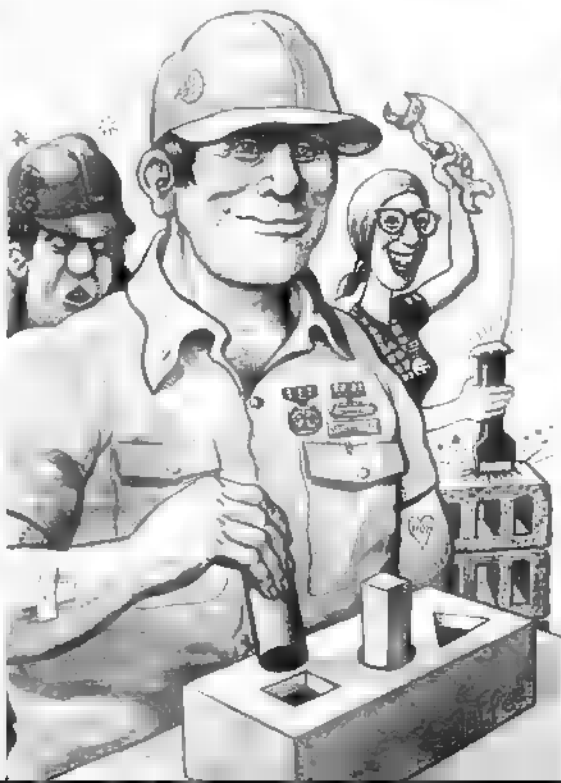


Awarded to salespersons who bravely face suckers who come into the store for advertised bargains that do not exist, and manage to switch them into buying costlier but inferior products, thereby boosting our entire economy.

**THE UNION MEDAL  
OF HONOR**



Presented to workers who blindly respond and heroically serve on picket lines without questioning the issues, the motives or anything else involved in strike situations, just as long as it means more money in their pockets.





# WHAT IS A

**B**etween the time your parents first send you off to the Hilly Acres Summer Camp and the time your children last send you off to the Holy Acres Cemetery, you are sure to encounter a type of brash, brassy, brazen, braying braggart known as a Show-Off. Most people hate Show-Offs with the same passion that they hate tornadoes. This is because both phenomena make entirely too much noise, are filled with hot air, spin around on their own axis, always arrive without warning and never leave as soon as you wish they would.

**T**he typical latent Show-Off will first display symptoms of his disturbance in early childhood when he can be observed committing such small, tell-tale acts as hanging by his heels from the school auditorium balcony, or eating crayons during the pledge to the flag, or taking off his clothes to play doctor when everyone else is playing softball, or bloodying your nose for the viewing pleasure of the new girl in class. With luck, he will cease this idiotic behavior as he matures. Without luck, he will grow up to become another Jimmy Connors.

**A**mong those who never outgrow the scourge of Show-Offishness, specimens can be found in every color, race and creed. There are Black Show-Offs who wear garish jewelry, drive pink Continentals and habitually shout, "Hey! What's happening?" There are Latin Show-Offs who buy imitation velvet wallpaper, drive chrome-plated Chevies and spray paint their names on public buildings. There are Indian Show-Offs who wear phony buckskin, beat on phony tom-toms and stage sit-in protests for the sole purpose of having them seen on the six o'clock news. Then, too, there are White Show-Offs. But all they do is wear garish jewelry, spray paint their names on public buildings, drive pink Continentals, stage sit-in protests and shout, "Hey! What's happening?" during such events as symphonic concerts, graveside ceremonies and High Masses conducted by the Pope.

**T**hough modern society is tragically overburdened with Acute Flashers, Addicted Flaunters and Assorted Flakes, it's still easy to spot a true Show-Off in any crowd. He's the one who carries a bullhorn to cocktail parties so everyone in the room will have to listen to his jokes. He's the one who brings his own magazines to the doctor's waiting room so the other patients will know he reads "Gentlemen's Quarterly." And he's the one who always orders in French, even at McDonald's . . . where he's also the one who demands to see the manager because the place doesn't have an adequate wine list.

**W**ithout question, a Show-Off is a unique form of humanity. Who else would run 99 yards in the Super Bowl, and then get tackled on the one-yard line because that's where he stopped to pose for photographers? Who else would toil for years to build a profitable business just so he can do his own TV commercials? Who else would "burn rubber" to accelerate from zero-to-sixty in nine seconds when he's only driving to the corner for a quart of milk? And who else would have custom Christmas cards printed just so everyone can see how cute he looks in his Santa Claus suit?



# SHOW OFF?

**S**how-Offs have a knack for upsetting everyone around them as they splash their way through the puddle of life. They debilitate their parents, nauseate their teachers and alienate their classmates before moving on to adulthood where they irritate their employers and infuriate their co-workers. About the only positive thing a Show-Off ever does is stimulate the economy. After all, if there were no Show-Offs in this world, then who would buy all the purple satin bowling shirts and artificial home waterfalls and iridescently painted dune buggies and strapless, backless, almost frontless evening gowns?

**O**ne thing you have to admire about a Show-Off is his dedication. Throughout his whole life, he'll do absolutely anything to make people notice him. At the age of ten, he'll risk violent nausea to be seen chewing a mouthful of his father's pipe tobacco. At 30, he'll risk total unemployment to entertain the secretaries with his impersonation of the boss's annoying sinus snuffle. At 50, he'll risk painful back injury to bend his partner into a flamboyant "dip" at the Country Club Dance. And at 80, he'll risk terminal pneumonia to get his picture in the paper going for a swim on the coldest day of the year.

**I**n a way, it's a pity on the incorrigible, incurable, insufferable Show-Off, for under all that swinish swagger, he often harbors positive qualities that have never been developed. Deep down inside, there may well exist the Self-Effacing Humility of Muhammad Ali, the Tranquil Introspection of Bella Abzug, the Noble Constraint of Idi Amin, the Blushing Modesty of Charro, the Unpretentious Charm of Ivan the Terrible and the Studious Reserve of Popeye the Sailor.

**N**o doubt about it. At the core of his being, a Show-Off is much more than just another over-amplified guitar twanger modeling a wardrobe made up of discarded seat covers from a Tijuana taxi. He is also Thoughtful Consideration blowing smoke from a cheap cigar, Sound Judgment singing dirty fraternity songs at an All-Campus Convocation, Quiet Dependability doing wheelies on a stolen motorcycle, a Firm Handshake clutching a concealed joy buzzer, Somber Reflection wearing a lampshade on his head and the Face of Maturity bathed in eerie light from the glow of his own electrified bow tie.

**S**how-Offs rarely choose to spend their lives as bodyguards for the President or bookkeepers for the Syndicate or consultants for a Swiss bank. More often, they prefer careers as professional skywriters or televised faith healers or Marine Band drum majors. But even when a Show-Off accidentally winds up in some anonymous job like Top Secret Under-Cover Agent, he never really loses his lifelong craving to step into the spotlight. And you can bet that someday, when he's receiving blueprints in the shadow of the Berlin Wall or exchanging microfilm in the silence of the Peking Library, he will blow his cover by impulsively blurting out the familiar cry of the born Show-Off:

**"HEY, EVERYBODY! LOOK AT ME!"**

ARTIST: SERGIO ARAGONES

WRITER: TOM KOCH



## FLEECE MARKET DEPARTMENT

Americans are bemoaning the fact that the Arabs are overcharging us for their oil, and then adding insult to injury by bringing the money back here to buy up most of desirable real estate and our most precious art treasures. So MAD asks: Why don't we do something about it? With our famed Yankee ingenuity, we should be able to con-

# SURPLUS ITEMS WE CA

## OUR SURPLUS POLYESTER LEISURE SUITS



When the Great American Leisure Suit had went bloeey a few years ago, merchants were stuck with hundreds of thousands of unsold garments, mostly in loud colors and portly sizes. (It's even possible that the New Orleans Superdome had to be built for the sole purpose of storing away left-over leisure suits that didn't fit into other warehouses!) The Arabs are natural customers for this vast accumulation... especially since most of them are portly, but only a few of them have mirrors to see how idiotic they look in them.

## "GREATEST TUNES OF THE JOHNNY MANN SINGERS"



Couple the fact that Arabs are the world's most dedicated skeet shooters with the fact that unsalable LP phonograph records make terrific clay pigeons, and a new method of bolstering the U.S. economy quickly appears. Best of all, scientists predict that we'll keep replenishing our stockpile of unsaleable records as long as we need Arab oil. It is only a suggestion that we begin this export trade with "Johnny Mann" records. We could probably do just as well with some of the less popular selections of Johnny Desmond, Tony Martin, Jerry Vale, Buddy Greco, Al Martino, Rosemary Clooney, Dorothy Collins, Julie London and Tommy Leonetti.

## OUR PERPETUAL SUPPLY OF RASPBERRY SHERBERT



Americans obviously hate raspberry sherbet, as evidenced by the fact that restaurants always have plenty left, even after they've run out of every other dessert on the menu. Meanwhile, Arabs and their camels go around with notoriously rotten dispositions because they're sweaty, thirsty and have their throats filled with hot, scratchy sand. Sending them our tons of unwanted raspberry sherbet will make everyone happy, including owners of oil tankers that currently carry no cargo on their return trips to the Middle East.

## NORTH DAKOTA



North Dakota is a good example of the type of Real Estate we should be trying harder to palm off on Middle Eastern investors. After all, it's the only state in the U.S. that has been losing population steadily for 50 years because its residents want to get away from the cold. On the other hand, Arabs have no place to go where they can get away from the heat. Surely they would pay \$10,000 an acre for a cool resort area with a nice northerly breeze. Considering the size of North Dakota, that adds up to enough cash to keep us well supplied with Arab oil for several months.



vince those Middle Eastern oil billionaires that they really ought to spend their U.S. dollars on the very items we'd love to unload. Employing this "hard sell" technique, we could soon get our money back without giving up a single thing that we'd prefer to keep. MAD shows how painlessly we could balance our trade deficit with...



# N SELL TO THE ARABS

ARTIST: HARRY NORTH, ESQ.

WRITER: TOM KOCH

## THE PHILADELPHIA '76 ERS



Most everyone in this country, including absolutely everybody in Philadelphia, is fed up with these hotshots for never learning to play together as a team. But think what a sensation they'd be in Kuwait, where nobody knows what a basketball team is supposed to do anyway. Add to this the snob appeal of having the only N.B.A. franchise east of Boston (or west of Seattle, if you're going the other way), and the result is a multi-million-dollar bargain that any oil rich Arab country would rush to grab, given the chance.

## FIVE MILLION HOMELESS KITTENS



It's common knowledge among those of even marginal intelligence that the U.S. has a huge supply of unwanted kittens. But how many have considered the equally common knowledge that the whole Arab world is one gigantic mound of Kitty Litter? Surely this means that any oil rich country would willingly pay ten bucks a kitten to get its sand kicked up and rearranged as only an industrious American cat can do.

## CANCELLED TV SHOWS



To squeeze some really big money out of cancelled American TV shows, we mustn't merely sell the Arabs our old filmed episodes to re-run. Instead, we should unload the whole works, including all the sets, props and costumes needed to produce completely new episodes in Arabic. "Baretta," "Police Woman," "Kojak," etc. seem like perfect shows for such a deal because there's no Arabian P.T.A. to complain about the effects of TV violence on children. In fact, there are indications that many Arab children are already violent, and that their parents want to keep them that way.

## CHICKEN TAKE-OUT FRANCHISES



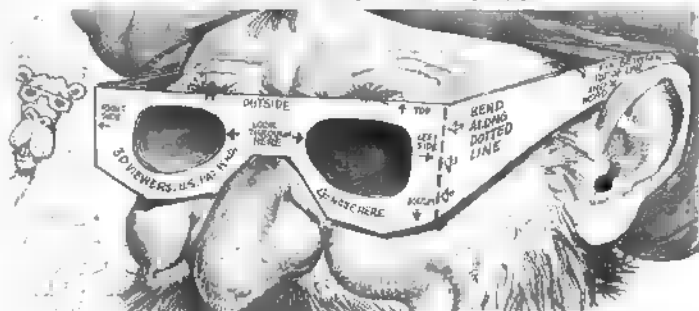
At the present time, Kentucky fried chicken restaurants are about as rare in Arabia as Arabian restaurants are in Kentucky. Clearly, this presents U.S. promoters with the opportunity to start blanketing the Middle East with their expensive franchises for foul fowl take-out joints. This might require some typical Yankee ingenuity in parts of the Arab World that have very few chickens. However, by adding just a little bit more breeding to the gook that's normally slathered on each piece, a fried Arabian buzzard should look enough like a domestic chicken to fool anyone.

## HARDY CRAB GRASS SEEDLINGS



What clod could actually be conned into paying good money for crab grass? To answer that question, just check out the "lawn" in front of any Arab home located more than ten miles from the nearest water hole. Out there, owning any form of plant life that refuses to die has great snob appeal. Best of all, sales of U.S. crab grass would quickly lead to sales of U.S. lawn mowers to a part of the world where the demand for them hasn't been too brisk up to now.

## OUTMODED 3-D MOVIE GLASSES



Sad to say, many Bedouin tribesmen have never owned a pair of sun glasses, even though they live in a country where eye diseases caused by glare and blowing sand are common. Equally sad to say, U.S. industry has a fortune tied up in tacky colored glasses that were made for watching the 3-D movies that flopped so horribly a few years back. Surely, it would be a lovely gesture for us to let the Arabs have those cheap glasses at a price they can afford, especially since the price they can afford is now about \$25 a pair.

## JIMMY CONNORS AND ILIE NASTASE



No team representing a Middle Eastern country has ever won a Davis Cup. Presumably, this means that the Arabs would take any sort of desperate measure to win one, including the costly rental or outright purchase of Jimmy Connors and Ilie Nastase. True, Ilie Nastase is not really ours to sell, since he's technically a Roumanian . . . but let's face it: If we can find a way to get rid of him and Jimmy Connors for keeps, who's going to lift a finger to stop us?

## SPOKANE'S WORLD'S FAIR SITE



In 1974, Spokane, Washington held one of the most unpublicized World's Fairs in history. Now that it's over, the exhibit buildings are even more vacant than they were when the Fair was open. However, the deserted site should prove irresistible to the Arabs who've never held a World's Fair of their own. Hopefully, they won't realize until it's too late that they either have to hold their Fair in Spokane, or figure out a way to move the fairgrounds over to Arabia.

## DEFUNCT TRADING STAMPS



It is tragic to think that four independent Persian Gulf Sheikdoms still do not have their own postage stamps, just when four U.S. Trading Stamp Companies have coincidentally gone bankrupt. It is even more tragic to think that we're too dumb to sell our worthless, left-over trading stamps to the rich Arabs who need them desperately for postage stamps. Unfortunately, any Persian Gulf resident who took the time to steam 15,000 stamps off his mail could legally bring them to this country and redeem them for a toaster, but that's a problem we can face when we come to it.

## BANKRUPT STOCKBROKERS' EQUIPMENT



During the last stock market debacle, many U.S. brokerage houses went out of business. Presumably, their electronic price quoting machines were all stored in closets and are now considered to be worthless. However, with rich Arabs owning more stocks in American companies than Americans do, they need these quote machines to follow their investments. Eventually, this could also lead to the sale of upper story office windows to desert tribesmen who presently lack high places to jump from when the next stock market crash occurs.

## CYCLAMATE COLA



Soft drinks containing cyclamates were pulled off shelves in the U.S. after doctors reported that they caused cancer in rats. Fortunately for our new Middle Eastern export business, these doctors didn't offer one shred of proof that cyclamates cause cancer in camels, sheep, goats or donkeys. Since these are the only forms of animal life known to exist in Arabia, there's no medical or moral reason why we shouldn't ship them our surplus supply of cyclamate cola.

## MERV GRIFFIN



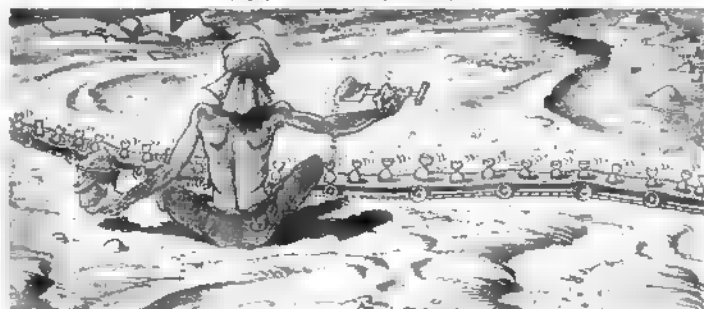
Merv's slyly snickered "naughty jokes" would probably be considered sensational material in those parts of the Arab World where women still wear sacks over their heads when they go out in public. To assure Merv of being a hit over there, it might be better to sell him as part of a multi-million-dollar package deal that would also include Robert Goulet, the Lennon Sisters and Paul Anka. For the good of our country, we would have to learn to live without them.

## INCOMPETENT TV WEATHERMEN



For years, these dimwits have garbled up weather forecasts on every TV News show from one end of America to the other. As a result, we alternate between wearing our galoshes when it's fair and getting drenched when an unpredicted hurricane strikes. Obviously, these jerks would do less damage if we exported them all to Arabia, where the weather has been the same every day for the past century. Just teach them to say, "Fair . . . and continued hot!" in Arabic, and they'll be adequately prepared for their new assignments.

## EGG TIMER GLASS



Although the Arabs haven't realized it yet, oil is not the only natural resource they have that's ripe for worldwide exploitation. They also have sand. As those of us in more technologically advanced countries know, sand is the ideal substance for filling egg timers. But, without U.S. glass to hold the sand, the Arabs have a rather slim chance of cornering the world egg timer market. So it doesn't take a genius to see that this one item alone could help balance our entire trade deficit with the oil producing countries.

## SHAMEFUL FOOTBALL LETTER SWEATERS



It's traditional for American Universities to present letter sweaters to members of their varsity football squads. It's equally traditional for athletes who play at schools with crummy teams to hide their sweaters away, and seldom wear them in public. This seems like a terrible waste . . . especially since the potential Arab buyers of these letter sweaters need never know that such initials as "N" and "V" and "S" actually stand for such shameful and embarrassing words as "Northwestern" and "Vanderbilt" and "Syracuse."

## DISCARDED CHRISTMAS TREES



Most Americans assume that nothing presents a more unpleasant sight than those old dried-out Christmas trees that we throw out right after the holidays. However, we never stop to think that Arabs living in the desert don't even know what a healthy tree is supposed to look like. Upshot: We miss a great chance to sell millions of dead trees every January, and the Arabs miss a great chance to stick them all in the ground and create their first National Forest.



## A ROLLING STALLONE GATHERS MORE GROSS DEPT.

Remember not too long ago when rotten people were the heroes of American movies? Amoral guys like motorcycle riders and fat, boozy, middle-aged guys who gunned down teenagers? Then, a few years back, along came a Boxer named "Rocky," and everything changed! Suddenly, as in the glorious films of the past, the average movie-goer found things in "Rocky" that he could *really identify* with: decency, honesty, stupidity! Anyway, the picture made over 50 million dollars, and suddenly the studio found something *it* could identify with: greed! So it made a sequel! Well, we did our version of the original movie in MAD #194 . . . and being just as greedy, we've made a sequel version of the sequel. Get ready for . . .

# ROCK

How come I get the feeling that I've seen this fight before? ! ?

That's because you **HAVE** seen it before, stupid! It's the last scene of the original movie! It's used to introduce the sequel!

You can **DO** it, Rockhead! You're gonna be **CHAMP!** !

**YOU'RE** cheering for a guy who lost a fight we already saw . . . and I'M stupid? ?

Hey . . . look at Rockhead! He's got a dumb, glassy look on his face! How long can he go on like this? !

Probably another 50 years! He looked like that **BEFORE** the fight started!

Isn't this absolutely incredible? ! Rockhead is **STILL ON HIS FEET!** !

Yeah! ! **NOBODY** stays up **THIS LATE** in Philadelphia!



Hey, you're doin' great, Rockhead! But . . . say d' woid an' I'll stop the fight!

It's really fantastic! A poor unknown bum, almost going the distance with the Champ!

He don't look so poor to me!

Well, look again! His Trainer is about to throw in a **PAPER TOWEL!** !

I **LOVE** you, Rockhead! I **LOVE** you!

Hey, who's that?

It's Atrium, his girlfriend! It's the old story all over again: "**Beauty and the Beast!**"

Ahh, she don't look **THAT** bad!

You call this a **FIGHT**? It's **DISGUSTING!** ! **STOP IT!** ! It's too **VIOLENT!** Too **BRUTAL!** Too **BLOODY!** !

Shaddup, you lousy Pinko! It's people like you who wanna destroy the American Way of Life!



# KHEAD II



They din't believe in me! Nobody believed in me! But **YOU** believed ... huh, Atrium?

I never stopped believing in you, Rockhead! Not for a single moment! I always knew you were going to be pounded into a bloody pulp!

I'm glad I din't let you down!



ARTIST: ANGELO TORRES

I bet I look disgusting! I bet the sight of my face an' ears makes you sick ... right?

Look ... when you love somebody, you love a **WHOLE PERSON!** The last thing I think about is your face and your ears! Now, stop being so sensitive! When you're feeling better, I'm going to cook you a nice homemade meal!

Like what? ?  
How about some chopped meat and cauliflower —Whoops! !



WRITER: LARRY SIEGEL

We're wasting our time on this beat-up poor slob! He can't afford ten grand for plastic surgery!

Wait! Here's my plan! We'll bob his nose ... change him to a blond ... shorten him about 4 inches ... and put freckles on his nose!

What'll **THAT** give us?

**Robert Redford!** HE can afford it! !



Hey, level with me, Appalling! Did you gi'me your **BEST** out there in the ring? ?

**My BEST!** ! Nothing would've given me more pleasure than to have knocked your @#%\$ brains out of your @#%\$ head! Next time, I'll splatter your guts all over the ring and use your liver to sop 'em up! How'd you like a rematch one of these days, Honky?

Okay ... on one condition! You gotta promise me it won't affect our friendship!



Atrium, I—I don't express myself too good! But right now, as I walk with you, I got like a burning feeling deep in my heart, and I'm all mixed up inside! Could you . . . ? Would you—

Oh, Rock-head, you poor silly fool! Of course I'll marry you!

Actually, I just wanted to borrow a "Rolaid"! But, well, okay . . .

... I now pronounce you "Man and Wife"! You may kiss the bride . . .

I know I ain't been too smart, but I'm improving, right? I didn't get lost on the way to the Church, and I remembered the ring, right! So—Hey, when do you think you're gonna get rid of this terrible skin condition you suddenly came down with?

As soon as you lift my veil! !

Darn! An' I was doin' so well there for a while!



Honey, now that we're married, what's the very first thing you want me to do with my fight money . . . ?

A CAR might not be a bad idea!

Wow! A new car—house—clothes! I keep forgetting I'm married to Rockhead Balbobo! !

Hey, baby, it's our first wedding anniversary! Let's celebrate! Wha'd'ya say you put on your mink coat, and then we feed the goldfish and take out the garbage? ?

But NOW I remember! !

Darling . . . I got news! Soon, there's going to be the patter of little feet around the house!

You mean we—we're gonna have a baby?

No . . . Shortly Muldoon, from the Finance Company, is coming around to repossess the car!

Okay! Okay! I can take a hint! I'll get a job! !



"HE-MAN AFTER SHAVE" commercial! Take Twenty-Seven . . . ! "ACTION!!

Hi-there-I-always use-He-Man-After-Shave-Lotion-It makes-me-smell-heil . . . I mean—swell-well . . . I mean—smell-swell!

CUT! I thought I told you to fire him! !

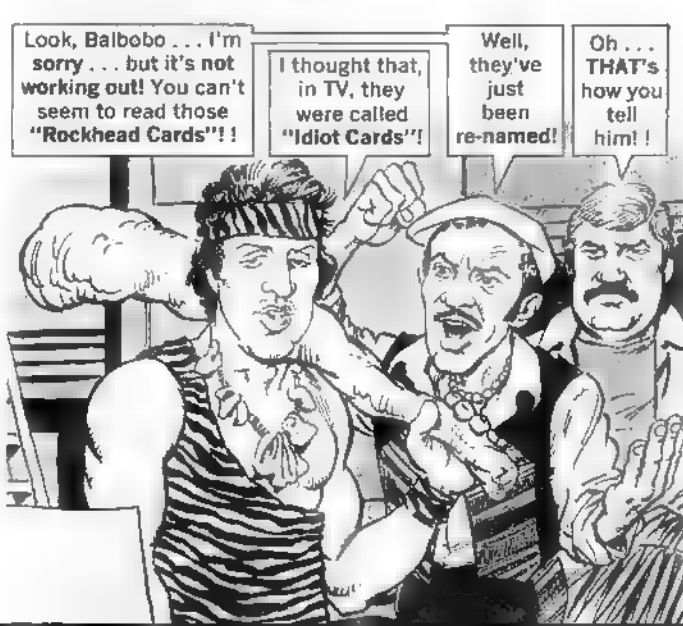
I tried! But how do you tell a guy he's not bright enough to play a CAVEMAN! ?

Look, Balbobo . . . I'm sorry . . . but it's not working out! You can't seem to read those "Rockhead Cards"! !

I thought that, in TV, they were called "Idiot Cards"! !

Well, they've just been re-named!

Oh . . . THAT's how you tell him! !







See? Sneaky little things like that!! I just gotta fight him again! I just gotta!!

Fighting! That's all you ever think about! You haven't thought of ME in weeks! What kind of marriage IS this?! **FORGET** about boxing!!

Are you asking me to **STOP** being a **MAN**?!

I'm asking you to **START** being one!

Not tonight! I've got a headache! **YOU!!**

We gotta build up your stamina! If you can catch a chicken, then you'll be in terrific shape!

Pant-pant... C'mon, Nicky. gi'me a break! Cough... gasp... Can't we start off with something **EASIER**?!!

Like what?? Like a turtle, maybe?!



Rockhead, guess what?! There's gonna be a little visitor running around your house any minute now!

Tell Shorty Muldoon he **ALREADY** **TOOK** my car!

No, Dummy! Atrium is **HAVING** **THE** **BABY**!!

No kiddin'?! Oh, boy... I gotta get over to the hospital right away!

What is it?! What's wrong with her, Doc? ?

Ever since the baby was born, she's been in a coma! Her brain is functioning on a very low level, and she doesn't know what's going on around her!

Does this mean she's gonna die?!

No, people can live like that indefinitely! **YOU'VE** been doing it for over 30 years!



My Sister's been like this for days! We have to **DO** something! I got it!! Why don't you **READ** to her! Maybe that'll inspire her to wake up...

Good idea! Here goes!

"I am going to school," said Dickie Dare. On the way he met a cow! "Moo, moo," said the cow...

"I am going to school," said Dickie Dare. On the way he met a duck! "Quack, quack," said the duck! "I am going to school," said Dickie Dare...

On the way, he met a...

**Rockhead!** It worked! It worked!! Look, she's up! She snapped out of it! She opened her eyes!!

Be with you in a minute! Just le'me see what happens with the horsie!





I'm so glad you're okay, Honey! Is there anything I can do for you?

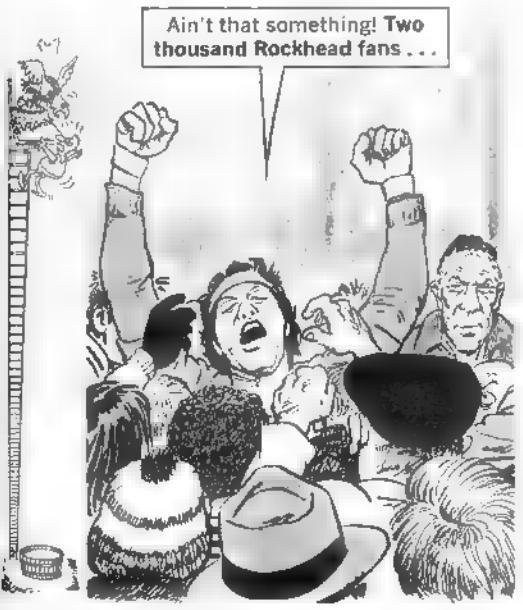
There's one thing you **MUST** do if there's **ANY** future for us at all!

**ANYTHING!** I'll cancel the match!! I'll give up boxing!

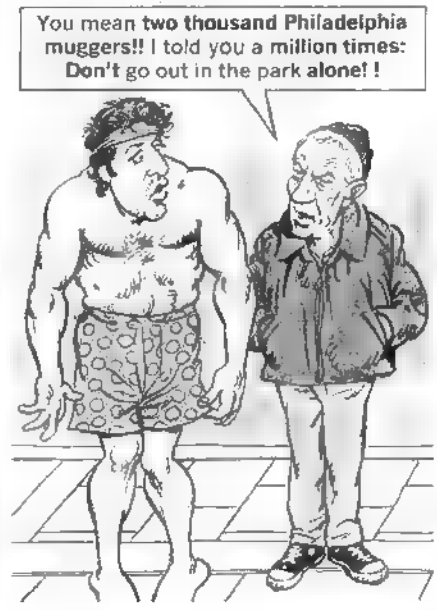
No, no... **boxing is OKAY!** Promise me you'll give up **READING!**



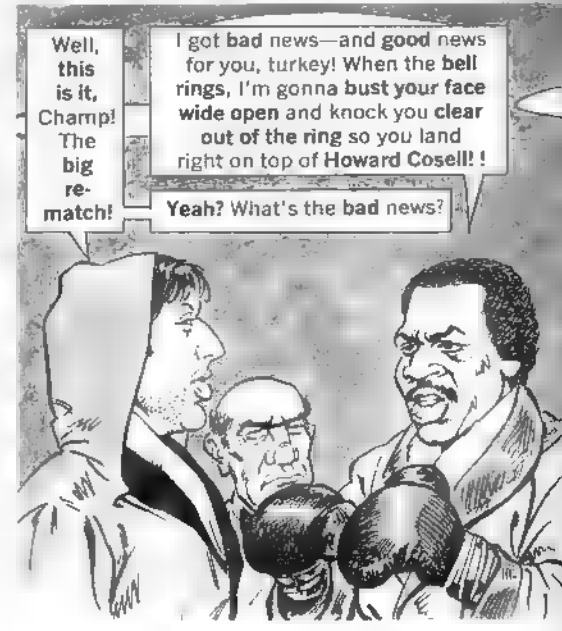
**GOTTA RUN, NOW... LIKE ROCKHEAD ONE, NOW...**



Ain't that something! Two thousand Rockhead fans ...



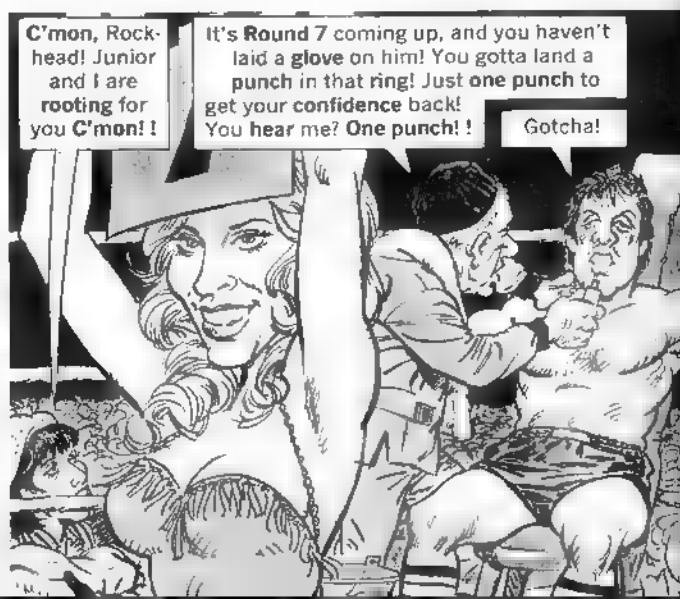
You mean two thousand Philadelphia muggers!! I told you a million times: Don't go out in the park alone!!



Well, this is it, Champ! The big re-match!

I got bad news—and good news for you, turkey! When the bell rings, I'm gonna bust your face wide open and knock you clear out of the ring so you land right on top of Howard Cosell!!

Yeah? What's the bad news?



C'mon, Rockhead! Junior and I are rooting for you C'mon!!

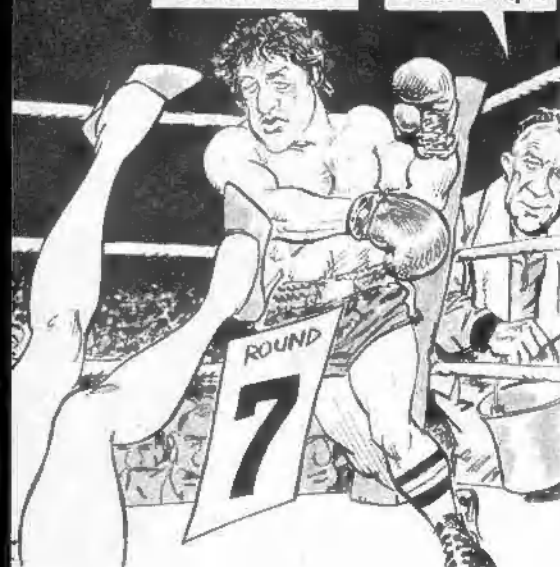
It's Round 7 coming up, and you haven't laid a glove on him! You gotta land a punch in that ring! Just one punch to get your confidence back! You hear me? One punch!!

Gotcha!



Well, it ain't much  
but it's a start!!

Now do that  
to the Champ!!



Is there a  
**DOCTOR** in  
the house? ?

I'M a  
Doctor! Is  
anybody  
sick? ?

No, I wanna ask you a question, Doc! If real  
boxers ever landed real haymakers and upper-  
cuts on the jaws of **Muhammad Ali**, **Joe Louis**  
and **Jack Dempsey** in their prime like they do  
in these movie fights, how **LONG** would those  
guys have **LASTED** in the ring, would you say?

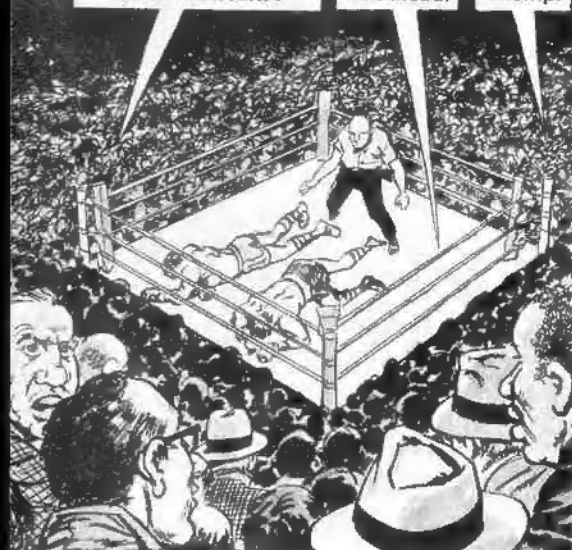
I figure about eleven seconds each!!



They're **BOTH DOWN**!!  
Whoever gets up first  
is the **WINNER**!!

Come  
on,  
**Rockhead**!

Get  
up,  
**Champ**!



... seven ...  
... eight ...

It's too late! **NEITHER** one  
of them is gonna make it!!



... nine ...  
... te- ...

**ROCKHEAD MADE IT!**  
He's **THE WINNER**!!



How'd you do  
it, **Rockhead**?  
How did you  
get to your  
feet before  
the **Champ**? ?

Sheer courage,  
grim determina-  
tion ... and  
mainly, I sat  
on Junior's  
**DIAPER PIN**!!



Well ... that's  
it! After I do  
"**Rockhead III**",  
I'm hanging up  
my gloves and  
my movie career  
for good!!

You mean  
that's going  
to be the  
end of the  
"**Rockhead**"  
saga forever?

Are  
you  
kidding?  
Why it's  
practically  
just  
beginning!!



Take a look at "**ROCKHEAD IV**  
... V ... and VI ...!!!





**WHAT BIG  
DISASTER  
HAS  
OCCURRED  
ON THIS  
PAGE?**

HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS  
**MAD FOLD-IN**

Every day, we hear of some new threat  
to our way of life. But on this page,  
a really big disaster has taken place.  
To find out what it is, fold in page.



FOLD PAGE OVER LIKE THIS!

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ARTIST & WRITER:  
AL JAFFEE

NUCLEAR SCARES ARE WITH US . . . AND WE ALL HAVE TO  
FACE IT. ALL OVER THE WORLD, PEOPLE ARE BUSY HOLD-  
ING MEETINGS SO THEY CAN QUICKLY PINPOINT AND  
IDENTIFY ANY POSSIBLE THREAT TO THEIR LIVING AREA!

**A**▶

◀**B**

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